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Runaway fraudster locked up

A fraudster who fled to Mexico after conning victims out of around £1.8 million but was caught trying to get into Texas has been jailed along with an accomplice.

Corrupt businessman Greg Whittlestone, from Stourbridge, duped 180 vulnerable victims in a shares selling con through an overseas trading company. But after being arrested in 2008 with Russell Kilshaw, he fled to Mexico while on bail awaiting trial. His luck ran out when he was detained by authorities trying to enter the US and was returned to the UK in July 2009.

Police said the pair were part of a so-called 'boiler room' fraud involving an unauthorised share trading company based overseas.

They offered shares that were overpriced, could often not be sold on and were near worthless.

Whittlestone arranged for people to open bank accounts that were used for the transfer of victims' money outside the UK to countries including the USA, Cyprus and Japan.

Kilshaw was one of these people and received approximately £30,000 for his involvement in the fraud over a six-month period.

Victims included a recently bereaved widower who said he was "just happy to hear a voice on the end of his telephone".

Another who lost hundreds of thousands of pounds later died, Birmingham Crown Court heard.

Whittlestone, aged 30 of Brunswick Gate, was jailed for five years after pleading guilty to conspiracy to defraud and removing criminal property.

Kilshaw, 30, of Wheatsheaf Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham, admitted entering into or becoming concerned in money laundering and removing criminal property and was jailed for two and a half years.

Boiler room frauds dupe investors into thinking they are dealing with a UK business, when the call is in fact being made from oversees.

Cutbacks will close centre

An education and training centre in Dudley will close at the end of September after its £82,000 government grant was axed amid sweeping budget cuts.

A petition to keep The Learning Centre in Wolverhampton Street open has gathered 88 signatures so far opposing the decision, which will see two full-time employees made redundant and three volunteers looking for new roles. It comes after other services including Connexions centres in Dudley and Stourbridge were scrapped earlier this year.

Acting manager Fiona Evans, who has been at the centre for more than three years, said staff were desperately searching for new avenues of funding but admitted it was "unlikely" to materialise with such short notice.

"It doesn't seem fair – it's people sat in offices who have never actually been to a centre making the decisions, and they have no idea what people want," she said.

"We have a 92 per cent pass rate on our courses which is excellent, but because we're just a small centre they think we don't matter. We are being completely overlooked. People would much rather come to us than go to somewhere that's big and impersonal, but they just don't think about that." She said the loss of the centre would leave the 200 people who walk through the doors each week having to go to the Outreach service at Dudley Library, which is only open three days a week, or travel to the Savoy Centre in Netherton."

Pioneering US treatment helps boy fight cancer

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An 11-year-old boy who flew to America for pioneering treatment to fight a rare form of cancer is celebrating after scans showed his tumour has gone.

Tom Blakemore, of Halesowen, battled the inoperable growth by undergoing hours of gruelling treatment in Florida.

Tom Blakemore with dad Simon and mum Jane

Scans have come back clear after he has been in remission for nearly a year.

The youngster, of Hillcrest Avenue, is now looking forward to starting at Halesowen's Windsor High in September, after catching up on his schoolwork despite missing months of lessons.

He is also playing football regularly again for the Brierley Hill Bullets and even went for a ride in a Ferrari at Silverstone at a charity event.

Tom said: "It's been hard but I'm enjoying being back with my friends and going to school."

His father Simon, a self-employed scaffolder, said: "He is doing so well and the scans have come back clear so far apart from a bit of scar tissue. He is really back up and running now and life is getting back to normal.

Improved

"Not only has he got back to his original level with schoolwork, he's even improved his grades now. He has worked so hard."

Tom was diagnosed with Rhabdomyosarcoma in January last year after suffering from headaches and dizziness. Doctors found the tumour behind Tom's face, where the skull meets the spine. Because of the unusual position of the tumour, he needed an intense and accurate form of treatment.

The NHS paid for Tom and his parents to travel to a specialist clinic in Jacksonville, Florida for pioneering Proton Therapy.

His story is now being used as part of a campaign for a bid for a proton unit at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Birmingham, which would cost between £75million to £100m. He will continue having scans every three months for the next year - and check-ups for five years – to make sure the tumour does not return

Banding together for cause

Ten bands set to play at The Lamp Tavern in Dudley to raise money

Ten bands are gearing up to take to the stage in Dudley to help raise money for a good cause.

Entertainment promoter Shaun Roberts has organised a fundraising night at The Lamp Tavern, on August 27.

It will be held in support of The Sophie Lancaster Foundation, which aims to combat prejudice and discrimination and was set up after Sophie's murder in Lancashire in 2007, because she dressed as a goth.

Mr Roberts, aged 46, of Wollescote, said: "The more people we can get to come along, the more we can raise for the foundation."

Doors will open at 1pm and the first band will be on stage at 2pm. Tickets are £6 in advance or £8 on the door. Call 07988070104.

Brenda was 'the love of our lives'

The family of a woman who died after being knocked down by a car as she walked a dog in a South Staffordshire village said they had lost "the love of our lives".

Brenda Wilson, aged 62, was a popular teacher and was described as "innovative, exciting and energetic" during her successful career.

Brenda Wilson

She was struck by a silver Audi convertible as she and a friend walked the Yorkshire terrier along the A458 Bridgnorth Road at Stourton at 10.30am last Thursday.

The mother-of-two, of Meddins Lane, Kinver, suffered head injuries. The dog, which belonged to her friend, also did not survive.

Her family paid tribute to her, saying she was a former headteacher at St Anne's Middle School in Bewdley which shut several years ago as part of a reorganisation of Wyre Forest schools.

Mrs Wilson had been teaching for many years, in Birmingham, Stourport and Bewdley. She was currently teaching at King Charles School, Kidderminster.

Her children, Laura and Edward Davies, and husband Michael Wilson said she enjoyed her job and was loved by children, parents, family and friends. In a joint statement, they said: "She was the love of our lives and we are completely overwhelmed with grief." They added she was "an innovative, exciting and energetic teacher, who inspired both her pupils and her colleagues."

Mrs Wilson's funeral will take place at St Anne's Church in Bewdley, although a date has not been set.

Her friend, who has not been named, was treated for minor head and arm injuries.

A 53-year-old woman from Shropshire was arrested in connection with the collision. She has been released on police bail pending further inquiries. Anyone with information about the collision should ring 0300 123 4455, quoting incident number 239 of August 4.

Museum link road planned

Work could finally start on a link road between the Black Country Living Museum and Dudley Zoo later this year now the extensive work on Burnt Tree junction is finished. The road will run from near the Trading Post premises, Castle Hill to the back of the museum in Tipton Road.

Detailed plans are now being drawn up before a planning application is made in the coming weeks.

Dudley Council bosses aim to get the work started when the £27 million Tesco store at Burnt Tree is nearly built in November or December.

They hope the road will kick-start a multi-million-pound regeneration of the town.

Regeneration chief Councillor Angus Adams, said: "Now Burnt Tree is finished the plans are back on the cards." The Burnt Tree work has caused long tailbacks during rush hour since work started in July 2009. The authority had toyed with the idea of building the link road outside of peak hours, but they feared that would push up the cost.

Dudley Council wants to increase footfall at the sites to more than one million visitors a year.

An exact cost for the road is not yet known.

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Hoax calls woman sentenced

An woman with a drink problem from Smethwick who wasted police and ambulance crews' time by making false 999 calls has been jailed.

Sharanjit Sidhu requested the help of emergency services 10 times in the space of two days – lying about being assaulted and that someone was trying to break in. After being arrested for wasting police time she made a further 40 hoax calls while on bail. At Sandwell Magistrates Court last week she was jailed for 16 weeks.

Magistrate Keith Wright said: "This was a persistent and deliberate waste of emergency services and police time. It no doubt had a knock-on effect on the general public because those services were tied up at your house. This is a serious matter."

The court heard the 10 calls that led to the arrest started at about 5pm on February 4 and continued until about 2pm on February 5.

In her conversations with operators she complained she had been assaulted. She also threatened to kill herself and lied someone was trying to break in.

Mr Harmail Gill, defending, said his client's actions centred around a drinking problem.

"What is apparent is this lady has many problems," he said.

Inventions are sought

Ingenious inventions by Black Country workers are being sought for a Government competition celebrating 160 years of British manufacturing.

James Morris, MP for Halesowen and Rowley Regis, is urging innovative manufacturers and designers to contact him with examples of their work. The MP will then submit the best idea to the Business Secretary to enter into their 'Made in Britain' initiative. Each MP has been asked to recommend an outstanding local design or manufacturing firm for entry.

Initially the entrants will be shown online, with plans for an exhibition next year.

Mr Morris MP said: "It is vital that we continue to support manufacturing in and around Halesowen and Rowley Regis."

Email suggestions to james.morris.mp@parliament.uk.

Jobs boost as historic firm set to expand

An historic Black Country manufacturing firm is expanding its site by a third, creating 14 jobs after bouncing back from the economic downturn.

Bosses at Isaac H Grainger & Son Ltd, which has been based in the Black Country since 1864, will transform the vacant Total Service Station on Gawne Lane in Cradley Heath, into extra offices and a car park next to their current engineering works. The move will boost the company's payroll from 53 staff to 67, after winning approval from Sandwell Council planners.

The petrol station lay vacant for around 18 months but bosses seized the chance to buy and expand after the pumps were decommissioned and issues surrounding the sale of the site were ironed out. Ivan Grainger, a director of the company who has worked at the firm for 32 years, said the move illustrated its recovery from losing 20 per cent turnover when recession first bit.

The 48-year-old father-of-two said: "The company has progressed well over the last few years and once the site became available to buy, as it was adjacent, we thought it was a good investment for the future. We will be expanding and the fact that is possible is down to the hard work of our staff during a very difficult two or three years.

"Recession saw our turnover dip by 20 per cent and to avoid redundancies, some staff went on to short time, but we are hopefully at the end of that now."

The company, which specialises in tube fittings for water, steam and gas, has diversified its range to include support structures for computer and exhibition centres to boost sales, Mr Grainger said.

The petrol station's refurbishment will include 7ft high palisade fencing and a new entrance gate from Gawne Lane for offices and the car park. The cost of the expansion, which will increase the total size of the 1.7 acre site by 0.6 acres, has not yet been calculated.

Injured burglar is jailed

A bungling thief who broke his ankle escaping from the Sandwell dental surgery he was burgling is now behind bars.

James Evans was high on heroin and subject to bail when he entered D Cooper Dental Practice in West Bromwich.

After realising he had been caught, the 40-year-old, from Birmingham Road in West Bromwich, launched himself from a first floor window and over the top of officers, causing his injury.

He appeared on crutches at Sandwell Magistrates Court on August 3 and was jailed for 18-weeks.

Police were called to the surgery, in High Street, on August 1. But their position was revealed when an officer's radio went off. Evans jumped out the window.

Mrs Rachael Smith, prosecuting, said contents from the surgery's cupboards had been emptied on the floor.

The court heard Evans, who tested positive for heroin, was on police bail at the time of the offence. This, in relation to another burglary matter, included a curfew requirement.

Mr Andrew Chowdhury, defending, highlighted the early guilty plea and said it was a compulsive decision.

Application is rejected

More than 250 residents have won their battle to stop a house being built in the back garden of a neighbouring Black Country home.

They have fought twice before to stop the application for the four-bedroom house in the grounds of a bungalow in Redlake Drive, Pedmore, Stourbridge.

Residents formed the Redlake Action Group to oppose the latest plan, collecting a 260-strong petition and writing 35 letters of objection to the authority.

The council's development control committee decided not to follow their officer's recommendations and refused the application from Gavin Warr of Selbourne Homes.

Blaze wrecks gardens and vintage vehicles

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A fireball left a trail of devastation after arsonists set fire to land next to a row of houses.

Classic cars and gardens were destroyed during the blaze in St James's Avenue, Rowley Regis, just before 6.30pm on August 4.

However, the grass fire quickly spread to three properties with flames at least 20ft high destroying gardens, windows and guttering at the homes.

A vintage car collection, believed to include an E-Type Jaguar, MG, a Triumph, Vespa and classic motorbikes was destroyed. As the blaze hit one of the cars it erupted into a huge fireball, melting window frames and guttering.

Residents assessed the damage at the scene, which was littered with remains of the vehicles, including burned-out engines and twisted metal, while melted guttering hung from two of the worst-hit homes.

The worst-affected property on St James Avenue, which was closest to the open land and housed the classic cars, had three back windows boarded up after glass had shattered, while large cracks were visible in a second home.

Grass was also left blackened and scorched where the fire had started and spread, while homes remained smoke-logged.

Wayne Kelly stands amid the devastation

The fire damage at numbers 24,26 and 28 St James's Avenue

Burned-out tyres and fence panels left after the arson attack

The remains of a classic Vespa scooter

Destroyed

Resident Alison Wood, whose garden was completely destroyed, raised the alarm. Her property sits in the middle of the three homes affected.

The 34-year-old NHS worker, who lives with partner Wayne Kelly, aged 35, and 11-year-old son Keelan Wood, said: "I could see smoke and thought someone was burning their rubbish or having a barbecue, but it was really thick smoke. I came down the road and the grass was all ablaze and I saw all our fence go up and into a big fireball.

"I moved my car quickly, but it got all of my neighbour's' vintage cars. He has lost so much. It has literally wiped out all of our back gardens and our roofs."

Son Keelan, a pupil at St Michael's School in Curral Road, Rowley Regis, who suffers with asthma, has been treated for smoke inhalation.

Ms Wood's partner Wayne said he thought the fire was a barbecue at first. The council worker said: "I thought to myself, that's getting a bit big, then I suddenly realised what was happening and I raced down the bank and started to try to put it out with my feet, stamping on it, but that did no good at all, it was useless.

"Then we grabbed the hose and tried that but again that did no good.

"Within a matter of minutes it had reached the houses. I thought the house was going to go. We tried to rescue the cars, but there was so much smoke and heat we just couldn't do it. The firemen put it out really quickly and they saved our houses. The firemen said if it had been another five minutes the roofs of the houses would have caught fire."

Melted

Mr Kelly said he himself lost the hard top for his MG car which completely melted.

He also lost a push bike, all of his tools, three lawnmowers and all his garden fencing. Decking, a garden shed, patio furniture and even washing hanging on the clothes line has also been destroyed. The least seriously affected property had damage to its garden fence. Ms Wood added: "The scary thing is, if this had happened of a night time, I don't think we would have got out alive, it just spread that quickly.

"At the end of the day we are still here, that's the main thing. It could have been a lot worse."

Crews from Cradley Heath, Oldbury and Brierley Hill attended.

Cradley Heath crew commander Andy Pincher said: "They were very lucky, it might have been a different story if they had been older people."

Crews used a main jet, two hose reels and six breathing apparatus.

People power wins battle on bungalow

More than 250 residents have won their battle to stop a bungalow being built in the back garden of a neighbouring home.

They have fought twice before to stop the application for the four bedroom house in the grounds of a bungalow, in Redlake Drive, Pedmore, Stourbridge because of concerns about the loss of trees. Two plans have previously been refused by Dudley Council.

However, they were both subsequently upheld by Government planning inspectors on appeal.

Residents formed the Redlake Action Group to oppose the plans collecting 260-strong petition and writing 35 objection letters to the authority.

Members of Dudley Council's development control committee decided not to follow their own officer's recommendations. They refused the application at a recent planning meeting.

Speaking after the meeting, company director and resident Alan Dunnaker said: "We are so pleased this application has been rejected and we just hope that this will be the last time. There was such a strong level of support against it." Their concerns centred on the possible future loss of trees on the site including four birches already earmarked by the applicant Gavin Warr of Selbourne Homes.

They claimed a garage as part of the plans would be too small to fit a car meaning vehicles could end up being parked on the roadway. The committee voted unanimously to refuse the application.

Flats plan is turned down

Proposals to build six flats in a Dudley street have been rejected following concerns about their design.

The flats would have been on land next to Caroline Street under plans submitted by developer A&H CAD Ltd.

An application had been lodged for outline permission to build the six one-bedroom flats.

Development control committee members visited the site in recent days to see the location on the planned building for themselves. Councillors had said they wanted a better idea of how proposed parking arrangements would work and how the building would look in relation to neighbouring buildings. At the August 1 meeting, members refused the application.

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Two sent to jail for cannabis

Two illegal immigrants who were "gardeners" for a cannabis farm containing £429,000 worth of plants which were growing inside a Midlands industrial estate have been jailed.

When police officers raided the premises in Coombs Road, Halesowen they found there were 1,313 plants growing inside seven rooms, Wolverhampton Crown Court heard.

Mrs Sati Ruck, prosecuting, told the hearing that the plants were at various stages of growth and there was a highly sophisticated hydroponic system.

The potential yield from the illegal crop was 48.5 kilos and Hung Le and Luong Vu were found hiding behind rubbish bins by police officers.

Le, aged 42, and Vu, 40, both Vietnamese-born and of no fixed address admitted producing cannabis.

Judge Jonathan Gosling jailed Le for 28 months and Vu for 22 months and told them it was an extremely serious offence because of the significant amount of cannabis being grown.

Mrs Ruck said the pair had both entered the UK illegally and they were now facing deportation on completion of their sentences.

Mr Jas Mann, defending Le, said he had been promised an income to send back to his family.

Mr Harbinder Lally, defending mother-of-two Vu, said she had learned a hard lesson.

Accused man in court

A man charged with the murder of his former partner in the Black Country has appeared in court.

Kerry Smith, mother of a two-year-old daughter, died from stab wounds after collapsing in Blackheath High Street on July 31. David Richard Palmer, 39, of Mincing Lane, Blackheath, is accused of killing the 29-year-old. On August 4, he appeared before Wolverhampton Crown Court.

Meanwhile, the Independent Police Complaints Commission (IPCC) has confirmed it will not need to be involved in the investigation at this stage, after it was referred to them by West Midlands Police.

The force had voluntarily referred the case to the IPCC for an impartial review of all the circumstances "due to the domestically related nature of the incident".

Barking mad rescue

Four dogs became trapped inside a car after they accidentally locked the doors when their owner left them for a few minutes. Fire crews had to smash a window to reach the animals after efforts to open the car without causing any damage failed.

They were called to Margaret Avenue, Halesowen, at around 2am on August 4 after the owner raised the alarm. The dogs' owner had been dropping off her daughter and left the car for a few minutes, but the dogs accidentally flicked on the central locking trapping them, and the keys, inside the vehicle. Fire crews faced a race against time to free the animals due to the heat of the evening. They were at the scene for around 45 minutes. The dogs were freed and none the worse for their experience said firefighters.

Inquiry into care at home

Detectives are probing allegations that residents at a West Midland retirement home were mistreated.

Police were called in after concerns were raised in an inspection at Westfield Lodge, Stourbridge, by the Care Quality Commission. The owner of Westfield Lodge, on July 6, gave 28 days' notice to the authorities that he was voluntarily closing the home and the 18 residents have all moved to other care homes.

West Midlands Police spokesman Lee Page said: "Detectives from the Public Protection Unit in Halesowen are looking at a number of allegations relating to Westfield Lodge Care Home on Norton Road in Stourbridge.

"This forms part of a joint investigation by police and the local authority after concerns were raised about mistreatment of residents at the home following an inspection by the Care Quality Commission. Inquiries are currently ongoing and we cannot comment further at this stage."

Angela Weston, whose 84-year-old mother, retired draper Gladys Dunne, was moved by Sandwell Social Services to another home in Woodsetton, Dudley, said: "I am shocked and surprised that there is a police investigation at Westfield Lodge. She lived there for eight years and the staff were always very loving and brought out the best in my mother."

Nobody was available for comment at Westfield Lodge which has a "for sale" sign outside – advertised as a retirement home for the elderly with a £750,000 price.

Rare Babes v Wolves programme for sale

One of the rarest football match programmes in the world is expected to fetch up to £7,000 when it goes up for auction next week at an hotel in the Midlands.

The programme was printed for the abandoned match between Wolves and Manchester United on February 8, 1958, which was called off because of the Munich air disaster. The air crash on February 6 claimed the lives of eight United players from the legendary young and gifted team nicknamed the Busby Babes, including Dudley's Duncan Edwards.

He died in hospital 15 days after the tragedy. Twenty of the 44 people on board were killed.

The programme for the Old Trafford fixture went under the hammer today at the Cameo Suite of the Coleshill Hotel in Coleshill.

Robert Adcock from Sporting Memorys Worldwide Auctions said: "It is the rarest programme for both clubs and one of the rarest in the football programme collecting world.

"It is commonly assumed that most of the programmes were destroyed as they named many of the players who died in the plane crash in the team line-ups. Due to the circumstances this programme is valued at £5,000 to £7,000."

It's front cover features a photograph in reference to a previous game between Manchester United and Ipswich Town.

Former Wolves player Ted Farmer, aged 71, said: "Wolves and Manchester United were fighting to be the best and they were equals in the 1950s. Whether Wolves would have been the best team of the decade had the Busby Babes on that plane lived we will just never know.

"I knew Duncan Edwards well and I believe he would have been the greatest player of all time if he had lived."

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Programme could sell for thousands

Manchester United players boarding the ill-fated BEA aircraft in Belgrade

It's a bug's life for children

With the water boatman sculpture is 10-year-old Brandon Bayliss from Kidderminster with artist Fiona Campbell who helped out on the project

Creative youngsters helped to make two giant insects using salvaged metals at a Kidderminster park.

Children flocked to a series of art workshops held at Stackpool in Springfield Park.

They were able to learn about different insects in the park as well as helping to make a 3ft long sculpture of a dragonfly and a model of a water boatman.

The popular sessions which have been organised by Wyre Forest District Council, were run by Somerset-based artist Fiona Campbell.

Young visitors to the park in Springfield Road also had the chance to have a go at pond dipping with park wardens on hand to tell them about the creatures they discovered in the water.

Council arts and play development officer Loz Samuels said more than 50 people took part in the workshops last week. There will also be pond dipping at Spennells Valley Nature Reserve on August 16 and 22 from 10am.

Charity appeal for volunteers

Volunteers are being sought for a Black Country community charity. The Brierley Hill Project, based on the Chapel Street Estate, runs art workshops, sports clubs and mother and toddler groups.

An information evening will be held at Sainsbury's in Sandringham Way, Amblecote, for anyone interested in taking part. It takes place next Tuesday between 7.30pm and 9pm.

The store has chosen the project as its charity for 2011, and staff have pledged to take part in activities.

Complaints over trust drop by 9pc

Complaints against Dudley Group of Hospitals Trust has fallen by nine per cent, new figures reveal.

Bosses at the trust received 332 complaints from disgruntled patients in 2010/11, down from 364 during the previous 12 months. The majority were about concerns over clinical treatment, the hospital trust's council of governors was told. People also complained about cancelled outpatient appointments.

Hunt for bats at nature reserve

Visitors to the Saltwells Local Nature Reserve in Dudley can go on a free hunt for bats next week.

Those who go along to the event on August 16 are asked to bring a torch. Call 01384 812795 for details.

Centre's ball raises £7,775

The Merry Hill Shopping Centre in Brierley Hill has raised thousands of pounds for its chosen charity in just one night after holding a special charity ball.

A total of £7,775 was raised in aid of Rollercoasters at the event, which was held at The Copthorne Hotel, near the shopping centre.

More than 200 people including Merry Hill staff, contractor staff and representatives from companies the centre works with, all attended the ball. A tombola with more than 60 prizes was one of the highlights.

Merry Hill has so far raised £9,300 for Rollercoasters, its chosen charity for this year. The centre is also donating half of the proceeds from ticket sales to the Big Bear Bash event, a family festival, held today and tomorrow, to the charity.

Circus skills fun at centre

Families can enjoy a range of children's activities in Brierley Hill town centre this summer.

The events are taking place every Tuesday at 11am-3pm until the end of August. Circus skills, bouncy castles, face painting, children's rides and a climbing wall will all be on offer in the Moor Shopping Centre.

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Fears for future of ices vans

The familiar chimes of the ice cream van could become a thing of the past, traders have warned. They say they are having to cope with a string of body blows to their businesses.

As well as the soaring cost of fuel for their vans, the price of raw materials such as sugar, skimmed milk and cocoa has rocketed in recent months.

Campaigners have been battling in vain to get the Government to rein back VAT on ice cream in a bid to help businesses stay afloat.

Zelica Carr, chief executive of the Midlands-based trade body, the Ice Cream Alliance, says local authority red tape and tax are making it tough for ice cream sellers to make a living.

"We know we have around 5,000 mobile ice cream sellers operating today," she said.

"There are no historic figures to compare that to, but everyone is aware that they see ice cream vans a lot less now than they used to.

"It is already difficult, with permits from local authorities costing from £200 to £2,000, while a new van could set someone back £80,000 to £100,000."

The industry has been reeling from huge increases in the rise of raw ingredients, with sugar prices hitting their highest level in 30 years in the second half of 2010, rising from £460 a ton in January to £810.

Skimmed milk has risen from £1,800 a ton to £2,600, while cocoa powder quadrupled to £4,800 a ton.

HM Revenue & Customs said EU law prevented any cut in VAT on ice cream.

Luke's metal moorhens join heritage trail

Luke with a moorhen

A series of 50 life-size moorhens, sculpted out of steel, has been unveiled as part of a £35,000 heritage trail winding through the Black Country.

Local artist Luke Perry has added the miniature sculptures to a trail which stretches from Blowers Green Bridge, Pear Tree Lane, Dudley, through Bumble Hole Nature Reserve on the Sandwell border to the Gorsty Hill Tunnel, Old Hill.

Some of the moorhens have been named after children who helped install them, including Josh, Jade and Jake at the entrance to Bumble Hole Nature Reserve.

A total of 32 larger sculptures have already been installed along the trail, alongside the Dudley No 2 Canal, including one sculpture of a man flushing a toilet, which was inspired by the former Doulton Pottery Works in Rowley Regis which made cisterns and toilet bowls.

The 6ft 6in artwork is one of six 'wayfinders' that point the way along the canals.

Blackbrook Bridge features another such wayfinder, a sculpture of a miner to stress the industry's importance in the area.

Other sculptures act as interpretation panels and mile markers, such as one of a Toll Man at the toll building off Doulton Road, who has been fashioned as if he is vandalising the graffiti-hit building, in a nod to modern artist Banksy. Another sculpture between Powke Lane and Garretts Lane pays homage to the first female business owner in the Black Country, widowed mother-of-four Eliza Tinsley.

Luke, aged 28, of Wollaston, Stourbridge, set up his firm, Industrial Heritage Stronghold in Cradley Heath three years ago creating artwork championing the Black Country.

He said, the moorhens are in and around the canal towpath so as can be seen by children and grown ups as a fun search and discovery trail.

"Each moorhen is first drawn on paper from a photograph, then it is laser cut locally, galvanized and hand-painted."

Plan for home is rejected

More than 250 residents have won their battle to stop a bungalow being built in the back garden of a Stourbridge home.

They have fought twice before to stop the application for the four bedroom home in the grounds of a bungalow, in Redlake Drive, Pedmore, because of concerns about the loss of trees on the site. Both were turned down by Dudley Council.

However, the decisions were both subsequently upheld by Government planning inspectors on appeal.

Residents formed the Redlake Action Group to oppose the plans, collecting a 260-strong petition and writing 35 objection letters to the authority.

The council's development control committee refused the application at last week's planning meeting.

Afterwards, company director and resident Alan Dunnaker said: "We are so pleased this application has been rejected and we just hope that this will be the last time. There was such a strong level of support against it."

Residents are concerned about the possible loss of trees, including four birches already earmarked by applicant Gavin Warr, of Selbourne Homes. They claimed the plannned garage would be too small, meaning cars could end up parked on the road.

But Mr Warr said they had worked hard to protect the long-term health of the trees to create a "bright and airy feeling" and space for three cars on the drive had been created.

Festival gets ready to rock with fossils

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Thousands of people are expected to flock to Dudley for the town's annual Rock and Fossil festival next month.

It will take place on September 24 and 25 council chiefs have revealed.

The festival, the largest of its kind in the Midlands, will see exhibitors showcase everything from rocks, fossils and gems to jewellery and children's books.

Organisers have also announced the event will include lectures and talks from geology and palaeontology experts from across the country.

Activities will take place at Dudley Museum and Art Gallery and Dudley Concert Hall.

Family entertainment, including an appearance by Dudley Zoo and Castle's small animals collection, face painting, fossil casting, fossil identification sessions, a magician, T-shirt printing and craft workshops, will feature.

Visitors will also be able to turn their hand to bird box making and enjoy an armoury display.

Councillor David Stanley, cabinet member for environment and culture, said: "The Rock and Fossil festival is the largest regional event of its kind, attracting thousands of visitors over the weekend.

Fantastic

"This year's event will be bigger and better than ever before with something for everyone to enjoy. It will be a fantastic two days with plenty of activities for all the family.

"There will be face painting, fossil casting, fossil identification and craft workshops, along with the opportunity to buy fossils, minerals and gems."

On September 24, the event will run from 10am until 5pm while it will finish an hour earlier on the second day.

Admission will be £2.50 for adults and £1.50 for children. Family tickets, for two adults and up to three children will be £7.50.

Entry price includes activities lined up during the festival at the museum as well as the concert hall, both of which are on St James's Road.

For details log onto www.dudley.gov.uk

No carping after Harry lands a whopper

Harry MacRae with the 23lb carp he caught at Shatterford Lakes, near Kidderminster

Little Harry MacRae is celebrating his catch of the day after netting a huge 23lb carp.

The five-year-old from Kingswinford landed the fish on a birthday trip with his father Paul to Shatterford Lakes near Kidderminster. He had already hooked in five bream and seven other carp in smaller pools – but he wanted to aim for a bigger prize.

Harry, who has been fishing for 18 months, begged his father to let him try his luck in the Masters Pool – where the experienced anglers show off their skills.

And within an hour, the 23lb carp had started to bite, and little Harry was struggling to drag it out of the water.

Paul, 33, of Mayflower Drive, said: "I was gobsmacked when I saw him pull it out. I gave him a hand because it was so heavy but he did all the hard work himself.

"He'd had such a successful day that his arms were already really tired but he was so happy. He absolutely loves fishing."

Harry, who is a pupil at Kingswinford's Blandford Mere Primary, also caught a personal best 19lb grass carp – and his next ambition is to land a catfish.

Class

Astroturf fitter Paul has been anging throughout Europe, including the Dordives, France, where he netted a 46lb carp three years ago. It was his heaviest so far.

Shatterford Lakes spokesman Daven Percival said Harry was a "class act".

He added: "We have a lot of children come down during the school holidays. Many of them had been here days on end.

"Harry comes down, and in one day absolutely aces it.

"I cannot tell you how rare it is for a child of his age to have a catch like this."

Harry spends most Sunday afternoons at Shatterford Lakes with his father and has his own rod and reel.

Although his eight-year-old sister Rachel is more interested in taking dance classes, she sometimes helps him out.

Paul said: "They've got a good brother and sister partnership going on but it's Harry that is really passionate about fishing.

"It took me years to get a fish that size so who knows what he will end up doing in a few years' time."

Saddling up for over 50s

AGE UK in Dudley is saddling up for three sponsored bike rides and inviting families from across the borough to join in. The event will take place at The Dell Stadium, on Bryce Road, on Tuesday August 16.

Covering three different levels, the three and a quarter mile route will start at 10am, the six mile at 11.30am and the 10 mile trek at 1.30pm.

Rides will take place along the canal towpaths, cycle paths, nature reserves and quiet roads and will be led by a trained cycling support rider.

Children must be accompanied by an adult, for which entry is £2 and £1 for youngsters under 16 years old.

All money raised from the event will go Age UK Dudley's get cycling for 50 plus project. For more information, contact Age UK at leapover60@age ukdudley.org.uk or call 01384 343535.

Children can relive history

YOUNGSTERS can bring history to life at the Black Country Living Museum when they step back in time to the old fashioned school days.

The event runs until September 4 and allows children to discover the delights of playtime in the last century learning activities such as hopscotch and the whip and top.

Families can also join together for traditional family board games such as solitaire, snakes and ladders and chess and draughts in the workers institute.

Creative crafts from bookmark making, colouring, to toy making and kite making will be available in the school rooms. Children can then test out their kites in the museum's Folkes Park.

Events co-ordinator Jane Allcock said: "The museum has plenty to offer all the family, from a trip on a tramcar, a lesson in the old-fashioned school to a tour of the underground coal mine.

Stepping out pulls in £10,000

Fundraisers have helped pull in more than £10,000 for a cancer charity in Dudley with its annual walk.

More than 200 people put their best foot forward in aid of the Rainbow Breast Reconstruction Group's latest event.

Walkers completed the course around Bodenham Arboretum, at Wolverley, near Kidderminster, to help raise money for cancer patients. Denise Hudson, of Chantry Road, Stourton, who founded the support group with friend Deb Barnett, said they were delighted to have raised thousands. The total has reached £10,155.54, with the last few cheques still to be counted. Some of the money will be donated to Dudley Cancer Support, which is based at The White House, Ednam Road.

School is given a cricket boost

A school has been given £200 for cricket equipment by housing developers. Fairhaven Primary School in Barnett Lane, Wordsley, will use the cash for bats, balls and kits.

The building company Persimmon West Midlands made the donation as the school is near to its Crystal Mead development of 50 homes.

Nigel Ashwood, managing director for Persimmon West Midlands, said: "We were bowled over by their enthusiasm and love of sport and in particular, cricket."

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Risks from lack of sleep

A lifetime of poor sleep increases the risk of heart disease, stroke and even death for sufferers of a condition known as obstructive sleep apnoea and a Midlands university is launching a project to find out exactly why.

The condition sees people regularly stop breathing during the night for brief periods of time.

A new research study by scientists at the University of Birmingham is trying to establish the effects of a high sugar and fat intake on sufferers and its consequences. The researchers will test the theory that high blood sugar and fat levels increase the cell damage that the low oxygen conditions of sleep apnoea can cause.

Researcher Harry Griffin from the School of Sport and Exercise Sciences explained: "Obstructive sleep apnoea is a condition in which the airway closes for brief periods following heavy snoring. This causes a drop in blood oxygen levels, which is associated with the accumulation of toxic substances. This may, over many years, cause cardiovascular disease." Contact Harry Griffin on 0121 414 8740 or hsg564@bham.ac.uk or Dr George Balanos via 0121 415 8828 or g.m.balanos@bham.ac.uk.

Boss in big pay-off

The boss of a Black Country-based aerospace company that ended up in court over the £2.5 million sale of a subsidiary quit the business with a pay-off worth nearly £500,000. Kim Ward was chief executive when Hampson Industries, based in Brierley Hill, sold its Hampson Precision Automotive (HPA) business to a consortium of investors last year. The sale ended up in the High Court when the consortium alleged Hampson failed to disclose details about HPA's customers – in particular that one major client was set to walk away. The consortium, Erlson Precision Holdings, won the case. In June, Hampson agreed to pay £1.5m plus a contribution towards costs. Hampson Industries' annual report reveals Mr Ward, who resigned last year, was paid £475,755 compensation.

£50m effort to ditch the cars sparks anger

More than £50 million could be spent persuading people across the West Midlands to ditch their cars – sparking anger from drivers groups.

Centro, the transport authority for the region, has been shortlisted for £54m of public money to pay for solar powered bus stops, car sharing promotions and schemes to get more people walking and cycling. The idea has been condemned by action groups as a waste of taxpayers' money that could be used to improve roads instead.

Centro is likely to receive a share of the £560m Local Sustainable Transport Fund aimed at tackling congestion.

It wants £41.8m from the Government and will then receive £12.4m from Wolverhampton, Dudley, Sandwell, Walsall, Birmingham, Coventry and Solihull councils.

People will be instructed to change their travel habits, with campaigns using texts, emails and mailouts to homes. As part of the scheme, new lanes would be created for electric and hybrid buses and there would also be more cycle lanes, electric car charging points and car sharing schemes.

Centro says "customised travel plans" would be created for residents, businesses and schools to reduce the number of cars on the roads. More information screens would also be fitted to bus shelters, many powered by solar panels.

Centro chairman, Councillor Angus Adams, said that the ideas, now being considered by the Government, would speed up journey times and "help us cut carbon".

But Peter Roberts, chairman of the Drivers' Alliance, today described it as an enormous waste of money.

He added: "This is just a big drain on the public purse.

"There are plenty of car sharing schemes out there so why Centro wants to set up another is beyond me.

"If this was about improving traffic flows it would be welcomed but it's about car users paying tax for public transport users."

Man, 42, is jailed for attack

A man has been jailed after attacking a teenager and a woman with a baseball bat, seemingly "taking the law into his own hands" when his daughter returned home upset.

Richard Marsh, aged 42, went out in his van to find those responsible and confront them over what had happened, Wolverhampton Crown Court heard.

But rather than just speak to them he had "seen the red mist", hitting the 17-year-old male, who cannot be named, on the shoulder.

He also struck a woman, Sarah Blakemore, who was with the teenager.

Marsh, of Quarry Bank High Street, pleaded guilty to charges of common assault and grievous bodily harm at an earlier hearing.

He was sentenced to 28 months imprisonment for the grievous bodily harm and two months for the assault charge to be served consecutively.

Mrs Sati Ruck, prosecuting, said the incident had taken place in Quarry Bank High Street at around 5.15pm on October 25.

Mr Gurdeep Garcha, defending, said his client was genuinely remorseful for what he had done. "In a few moments of madness he let his heart rule his head."

Flats plan scrutinised

Plans to convert a listed Victorian building in the grounds of a former Blank Country hospital into flats will be looked at during a site visit by councillors.

The multi-million pound development is taking shape on the site of the landmark former Wordsley Hospital. Six flats would be created in the old Guardians building within the site, off Stream Road, under plans produced by developer Shropshire Homes.

Numerous revisions have been made to the plans for the development since permission was first granted in 2007. These have prompted concerns from residents and ward councillors.

Race against time to get anchor back

Volunteers face a race against time to get a replica of the Titanic anchor back in the community where the original one was made.

It is hoped the 18ft iron anchor, that was made in Sheffield, could be back in Netherton in time for the Nautical Day and Dudley Council says it is working on meeting the deadline but, with only six weeks to go, it still stands at the Black Country Living Museum.

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Formal planning permission still needs to be granted by planners before it can be moved.

Environment chief Councillor David Stanley said the council was working with volunteers to get the anchor back in time.

The Netherton Regeneration Strategy Group have organised the Nautical Day on September 17. It will feature market stalls, street theatre, and a display on the history of the Titanic.

Over the last year residents have held public meetings over the issue and even made T-shirts emblazoned with the message "1911-2011. Anchoring Netherton's Future".

Councillor Tracy Wood, who has led the campaign, said: "We are hopeful that the anchor will be back in time and it is my understanding that the planning process is just a formality."

Television

The anchor will be erected on a plinth on a grassed area outside the Savoy Centre in Netherton.

Thousands lined the route from Dudley to Netherton during the summer as a television programme retraced its original journey taken in 1911.

A recreation of the anchor, originally designed and built by Netherton manufacturers Noah Hingley & Sons, was carried through the town.

The reconstruction of its original journey started from the site of the former Dudley Railway Station off Castle Hill. But after only two hours the replica was transported to the museum.

The replica anchor was made as part of a series on Channel Four called Titanic: The Mission.

Councillor Stanley said: "We are working with the Netherton Regeneration Strategy Group to get the anchor back in time."

All police stations to face review

A review of all 109 stations across the West Mercia force has been launched by Chief Constable David Shaw. Facilities in Hagley and Wyre Forest are among those being looked at.

Though he says there are no immediate plans to shut any stations, Mr Shaw said he could not rule out job losses as the force tries to save £34 million. He said the review would see whether stations give the "best value for money" with their current opening hours and staffing levels.

The news comes amid concerns that Hagley station, which has no front desk, is already under-manned. Visitors must ring a bell, which puts them through to Bromsgrove. Bewdley also has a similar set-up with Kidderminster, which is currently open from 8am to 10pm every day, while Stourport is staffed from 10am to 2pm Monday to Saturday.

Pressures

Mr Shaw, who recently took his new role, said: "We need to look at whether police stations are open for the right hours and if staff are used in the right places.

"With pressures on officers dealing with serious incidents and 999 calls, it may not always be best to have them waiting in a station that is not very busy."

It was recently revealed that 29 burglaries and 30 vehicle crimes were recorded in 2010 in Hagley – but not one was solved.

Hagley Parish Council chairman Steve Colella said: "We want reassurances that there will be no effect on frontline services."

Up to 450 police officer and community support officer posts are expected to be axed by West Mercia by 2015. Mr Shaw said: "These are very difficult times but I can reassure the public that they will still be served well by their police force."

Road markers claerly going through bad spell

Barbara Vale, and John Oakley, 28, are bemused by the sign which has been painted on the road in Oak Street, Kingswinford

It's as claer as mud, isn't it? Road workers painting a new sign on a Black Country road have left motorists and residents chuckling after their new "Keep Clear" marking ended up rather garbled.

The vowels are jumbled, leaving the instruction "Keep Claer" in large white letters on the road surface in Oak Street, Kingswinford, at the junction with a foot and cycle path that joins the road at that point.

And it has got folk a-twitter – with internet tweets directing followers to look at a picture of the mis-spelled sign posted by Al Jackson on a photograph sharing website.

Barbara Vale, aged 69, who lives in Oak Street, said: "The sign's been down a week or two now.

"But I've only just noticed that it's spelled wrongly. I did have a chuckle about it when I realised."

John Oakley, aged 28, of Kingsley Road, Kingswinford, said: "It looks stupid."

And John Hodgkiss, aged 65, who lives right by the sign said: "I saw it go down about a week ago and the contractors spent less than half an hour on it before moving just up the road to do something else.

Correctly

"From my house I see it upside down anyway, so I have only just realised it isn't spelled correctly."

Dudley councillor Patrick Harley, cabinet member for transportation, said: "We have been made aware that our contractor has spelt the word 'clear' incorrectly.

"The mistake will be corrected as soon as possible by the private contracting company at no extra cost to the council," Councillor Harley added.

Father used a toy gun to frighten men

A man used a toy gun to frighten away a group of men who arrived at his home and demanded he fight them, a court heard.

Sean Jones, aged 23, cocked the gun in plain view of the men after they turned up at his flat in Trinity Road, Amblecote, and taunted him on March 11, Wolverhampton Crown Court was told.

Judge Michael Dudley heard Jones had grabbed the gun, which was sprayed black to make it look real, in a bid to scare them away.

They fled, and police were later called and Jones arrested. He pleaded guilty to one count of possessing an imitation firearm and was given a 12-month community order along with supervision for the same period.

Mr David Lees, prosecuting, said a dispute had been ongoing between Jones and one of the group and following a disagreement on Facebook, the complainant and others arrived at his home.

Mr Lees said Jones remained inside the flat but was seen through the window holding what looked like a black handgun.

"The complainant and others believed it to be a real gun and fled," he said.

Mr Lees said the gun was later tested and found to be an air pistol which shot blank plastic pellets.

Mrs Samantha Powis, defending, said Jones's partner and child, two, were in the flat at the time and he had feared for their safety.

More babies breastfed

More than eight out of 10 newborn babies in the UK are now breastfed. The proportion of newborn babies breastfed by their mothers increased from six out of 10 to eight out of 10 between 1990 and 2010, a report from the NHS Information Centre has found. The report shows that breastfeeding rates have risen since 2005. Between 2005 and 2010, the percentage of newborn babies initially breastfed rose from 78 per cent to 83 per cent in England.

Across the UK, the percentage of mothers smoking before or during their pregnancy fell from 33 per cent to 26 per cent between 2005 and 2010.

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Struggling landlady sold drugs from pub

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A landlady started selling drugs from her Black Country pub to boost her income when trade at the venue plummeted, a court heard.

Mother-of-three Joanne Field, aged 42, was caught with 22 small wraps of cannabis at the Red Lion, Brierley Hill High Street.

She admitted possessing the drug with intent to supply. Wolverhampton Crown Court heard she had paid £400 for a supply of cannabis.

Miss Heidi Kubik, defending, said Field and her husband Joe had tried to boost trade at the pub.

But she said last Christmas he was made redundant from his job in civil engineering and started "drinking the profits."

Miss Kubik said it was suggested to Field that she could make money selling cannabis and she made a "foolish decision" under "enormous pressure".

She added: "She found herself in a financial crisis and she succumbed to fool's gold – it was an easy option that has resulted in nothing but trouble."

Judge Martin Walsh said that the level of her drug dealing was "relatively modest".

Licence

But he told her: "You have avoided going to prison by the skin of your teeth."

He added: "It is highly unlikely you will be able to obtain a licence for the sale of alcohol in the future."

Her husband now runs the pub after Field was stripped of her licence, the court heard.

Field, of Lancaster Road, in Brierley Hill, admitted possessing the drug with intent to supply and she was given a 12-month jail term which was suspended for two years.

She was further ordered to carry out 200 hours unpaid work and told to pay £260.

Mr Howard Searle, prosecuting, told the court that police officers raided the pub and in a small kitchen behind the bar they found a carrier bag containing 22 small wraps of cannabis and £380 in cash.

When questioned Field told officers the drugs belonged to her and that she had started with 60 or 70 deals – selling each wrap for £10.

She said she started selling the drugs because of "financial difficulties and she needed to supplement her income" when trade fell off at the pub.

Handymen are for hire

Back, Ryan Baker, aged 17, gets ready for the auction at Halesowen Members Club, with Ian Jeffries, aged 22, left and Daniel Westbury, 24

A group of men will be offering to help Black Country ladies out with handyman jobs – but the women will have to bid for them in an "auction of boys".

Halesowen women Aleisha Gerdes and Lucy Gadd, both aged 22, decided to organise the event, to be held on September 2, to raise money for Cancer Research.

They have recruited eight young men, aged 17 to 25, to parade in front of an audience of women who can then bid for two to three hours of their time. The event will be held at Halesowen Members Club in Hagley Road, Halesowen.

"We'd seen auctions like this on TV shows and thought it would be fun to organise the event and get all the ladies together for a good cause," said Lucy.

Tickets, priced at £3.75 for adults and £2 for children – free for under threes – are available from Aleisha Gerdes on 07772 879744.

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Warning over screen watching

Parents are being warned of the potential dangers of children watching TV while using gadgets such as smartphones or laptops.

University researchers said children were often "multi-screen viewing" and that a sedentary lifestyle is thought to increase the risk of obesity and mental health problems. The fact that screens can be transported between rooms means there are now calls for parents to limit the amount of time spent on gadgets. It is now possible to watch TV on demand via the internet, play computer games on laptops, hand-held devices or mobile phones, keep in contact with friends using text, Facebook, Skype, and MSN, and to do all this concurrently. Researchers at Bristol and Loughborough universities questioned 63 10 to 11-year-olds and found the children enjoyed looking at more than one screen at a time. They use a second device to fill in breaks during their entertainment, often talking or texting during adverts or while they were waiting for computer games to load. Dr Russ Jago, from Bristol University, said: "This suggests we need to work with families to develop strategies to limit the overall time spent multi-screen viewing."

Musicians telling tales on charity CD

Tales of the Black Country are being retold by musicians from around the region who have banded together to produce a charity album.

From halcyon days of industry to ghosts at Dudley Castle and from stray ponies around Tipton to Wolverhampton's famous Polish tramp Fred.

Musician and main organiser John Langford with Dudley Cancer Support Manager Chris Barron.

Folklore and stories well known to people in towns across the Black Country have been collated by musician and Gornal businessman John Langford.

The CD called The Black Country and Me has already been flying off the

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shelves making around £1,500 for Dudley Cancer Support at The White House in Ednam Road.

All the songs have been written and performed by Black Country artists who donated their time and music to the project free.

Songwriter Mr Langford, aged 51, from Milking Bank, struck upon the idea after performing at the Folk at the Oak night.

"I'm extremely proud of this CD and the excellent songs that have been donated by talented performers in the area," he said.

Generosity

"I'm humbled and grateful for the kindness and generosity that the artists, sponsors and everyone has shown, it makes me very proud to be a Black Country lad."

The night is organised regularly at the Royal Oak pub, School Road, Tettenhall, Wolverhampton.

Mr Langford, who runs steel firm Gornal Products, had previously been involved with cancer charity the Rainbow Breast Reconstruction Group which has links to Dudley Cancer Support.

One of the contributors has been Pete Kelly who lives in Tipton with his song Tipton Pony about the stray he saw regularly outside his home in recent months.

Mr Langford says one of his proudest moments has been playing with his 16-year-old son James on his track called Joe Darby written with Glenn Tunley.

James is a talented guitarist and performed with his father for the album's launch night on June 3 at the Copthorne Hotel, in Brierley Hill.

A host of other performers including Dave Love, Pete Kelly and Glenn Tunley took to the stage during the night to showcase many tracks off the album.

The Black Country Alphabet song, created by Cradley Heath company TeeT Shirts, also features on the 18-track disc.

Baptist minister Keith Judson has also written a song called Iron and Chains, an industry forged in the Black Country.

Around £750 in sponsorship was raised to cover the production costs of the CD from local businesses.

About 1,000 copies have been produced at £5 each with money going directly Dudley Cancer Support.

Cancer Support manager Chris Barron said: "We are completely taken aback by the generosity of everyone involved in this project so far, they have all been willing to give up their time to help raise money for us and to raise over £1,500 so far is a wonderful achievement."

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Soldiers complete 16-hour challenge

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Soldiers from the Black Country who returned from the Afghanistan battlefield just weeks ago completed a 92-mile endurance challenge for charity.

The group of 20 solidiers from the Royal Mercian and Lancastrian Yeomanry's Dudley-based A Squadron cycled, ran and canoed their way through three Midland counties in an attempt to raise more than £1,000 for ABF The Soldier's Charity. Setting off from Stafford, relay groups cycled to Lincomb Lock, Stourport.

There they got in canoes to paddle their way to Worcester.

They finished the challenge after 16 hours, at 10pm, in Warwick Market Place where they were greeted by the mayoress.

Cpt Paul Davey, who organised the Yeomans Tri-County Triathlon event, said he was "delighted" with how the day had gone.

"It was brilliant. We went through and finished comfortably in the time we were aiming for," he said.

Demanding

"It was very challenging, and very demanding, but it was a fantastic event for a very good cause."

Among the soldiers taking part was Lc Cpl Matthew Burns, aged 23, from Coseley, who joined the Dudley TA six years ago.

He said: "I wanted to take part in this as it was a challenge for us, as well as raising money for a good cause."

Father-of-two – and expecting a third – Sgt Andy Morris, 39, from Quarry Bank, was also in the group.

He said he has been with the TA for 15 years, and now works full-time as a storeman and driver for the centre based in Vicar Street, Dudley. He returned from Afghanistan in April after a six-month tour, having visited Iraq in 2003.

"I thought I'd join in with this event as it's a worthwhile charity," he added.

Many of the soldiers who were part of the recent tour were honoured by The Queen at the Yeomanry's homecoming parade earlier this month in recognition of their work in Helmand.

"The Queen's presentation of medals to members of the RMLY was an immensely proud and hugely important event for us," added Cpt Davey.

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Members of the Royal Mercian and Lancastrian Yeomanry at the finishing point which was at Lincomb Lock in Stourport

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Thousands expected at event

Thousands of visitors are expected to flock to this year's Stourport Land and River Carnival as organisers put the finishing touches to the programme.

The annual event will take place on September 3 and 4 with activities taking place around the town centre and by the riverside.

Attractions will include a parade, an illuminated river procession and a firework display. There will also be trade stalls and a fun fair. Stall holders and volunteers are needed and organisers are asking people to get in touch. Among the entertainment will be Breaking Steel, a band who won the chance to perform at the event. Lead singer and bass player Thomas Guest-Willets, aged 19, guitarist James Griffiths, 20, and drummer Luke Morgan, 17, blew judges away with self-penned songs.

The Britain's Got Talent-style show was held at the Elizabeth Mills Centre in the town.

The panel comprised centre trustee Ron Cross, Annette Doe, who leads a Weight Watchers group at the centre and Fleur Field who supports the centre's administration.

This year's carnival queen will be 21-year-old Kirsty Organ. The princess will be 13-year-old Stourport High School pupil Faith Broome-Nelson and the rosebud will be six-year-old Abbie Little who attends Burlish Park Primary School.

Each year the popular carnival, which is in its 86th year, attracts more than 2,000 people.

The Saturday parade will leave Arley Kings Village Hall at 12.30pm and finish at the carnival field at Riverside Meadows at 2.30pm.

For the first time carnival organisers have set up a website. The deadline for traders to apply to run a stall is August 20. For information about trading or being a volunteer log on to www.stourport carnival.co.uk

Summer holiday activities

Tai Chi lessons and adventure walks are among the events being held at two beauty spots over the summer holidays.

Activities have been organised by the National Trust and will take place at the Clent Hills and Kinver Edge during August.

Booking is essential for all of the events and visitors interested in taking part are asked to call Laura Broadhurst on 07920 181605.

Events at the Clent Hills include adventure walks on August 17 from 10am to 2.30pm.

A drumming workshop will be held on the hills between 10am and 2.15pm on August 24. And the final event, called Forest Foraging, will be held from 10am to noon and 1pm to 3pm on August 31.

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Wizard help from Potter star

Harry Potter star Mark Williams – who played the father of the Weasley father family – gave up a day from his busy schedule to make a film with a group of Black Country youngsters.

The actor did not charge for his stint helping youngsters from Kingswinford's Chatback Productions, which gives a voice to young people in care, as well as to the birth children of foster parents.

The 51-year-old star threw himself into filming with around 25 teenagers at Millennium Point, Birmingham, taking the role of a chat show host.

The Bromsgrove-born star, who played Arthur Weasley and was also in the Fast Show, was asked what he thought of the youngsters.

He joked in a Black Country accent: "They'm all roit – they'll do. They could all get a part in Harry Potter – if they were making any more of them."

Chatback Productions has won national acclaim over the last four years.

Chelsea Grimason, aged 15, of Kinver, said: "I'd watched him for 10 years – he's so legendary – but he's really friendly."

Harry Potter star Mark Williams is starring in a film with young people from Dudley

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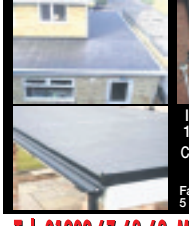

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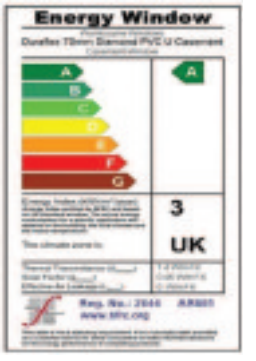

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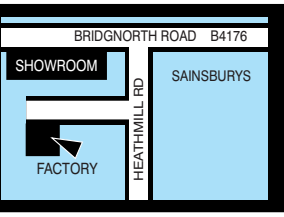

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Bobbies' birthday ball

Bobbie Watton and her mother Betty celebrated her 10th birthday with a Cinderella-style horse and carriage

She has had to battle against epilepsy since she was just four years old – but now brave Bobbie Watton has celebrated her 10th birthday with a fairytale ride.

The youngster marked her special day with a ride in a Cinderella-style horse and carriage, through the streets near her home in Pensnett, Dudley, accompanied by her mother and cousins. Her mother Betty, aged 32, of Swan Street said: "It was a lovely day and Bobbie was absolutely exhausted afterwards."

Bobbie was diagnosed with epilepsy after contracting meningitis. In hospital she slipped into a coma, and doctors found she was also suffering encephalitis, or swelling of the brain, which brought on the epilepsy.

Her mother said: "She can have a fit at any time, and they can last up to eight hours."

Cheeky tennis model becomes a golden girl

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A model who became the "tennis girl" when she hitched up her skirt for what became an inconid and world-famous photo has told of her joy at being immortalised in a life-size golden sculpture.

Fiona Walker was an 18-year-old art student when she posed for friend Martin Elliott, of Stourbridge, in the hot summer of 1976 at Edgbaston Tennis Club.

The iconic picture was later used for an Athena poster and went on to sell more than two million copies, adorning almost every student digs across the country.

The mother-of-three, originally from Oldswinford, Stourbridge, but who now lives in Droitwich, has posed again – this time for a statue that was unveiled at London's Saatchi Gallery. It has been made to celebrate 35 years since the photo was taken – and marks the release of a book on its global impact. She spent seven hours having plaster casts made of her body at her home before sculptor Ben Dearnley, 47, spent seven months carefully creating the artwork using measurements from her casts.

Fiona Walker with her cheeky and iconic poster

Though she does not even like tennis and has earned no money from the photo, Mrs Walker says she is "delighted" it has proved so popular through the generations.

She said: "I think it's excellent but it is quite bizarre to see a younger version of myself in a statue so large. It's nice that the picture lives on and I don't think it will ever go away.

Fibreglass

"I didn't give it a second thought when it was taken and it is great that people are still talking about it." The statue's final design was made from fibreglass and covered in 23.5 carat gold leaf paint alongside a tennis racquet which is held in the sculpture's hand.

It shows the front of the model for the first time and is meant to reveal her "secret smile", said Mr Dearnley, of Bath, Somerset. He said: "It was a lot of fun. I'm 47 and I know the poster from my late teens, as do a lot of men my age. It became part of the fabric of society so to be asked to work on this project was amazing, and it was great to meet Fiona who was really willing to get involved."

The gold statue was commissioned by art director of the original photo Chris Nightingale, who is writing a book about his experiences leading up to the publication of the poster. Mr Nightingale studied fine art and graphic at Wolverhampton Art College and went on to become an art director at our sister paper the Express & Star before setting up his first advertising agency in Stourbridge.

There are now plans for the statue to tour galleries around the country. The photo was licensed to Athena and became an instant best-seller when first published.

Fiona next to the statue with Chris Nightingale

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New boss appointed for trust

The health trust which runs three Worcestershire hospitals has appointed a new interim chief executive.

Dr Mark Goldman will take up the post left vacant by John Rostill, who retired this week.

Dr Goldman was previously chief executive at the Heart of England NHS Foundation.

He will oversee the work at Kidderminster Hospital, the Alexandra in Redditch and Worcestershire Royal Hospital in Worcester. He will be helping the hospital trust to work on its bid to become a Foundation Trust which will give it more freedom to run its own services and manage its finances.

The chairman of Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust, Harry Turner, said: "His experiences with (health regulator) Monitor and what it takes to become a successful Foundation Trust will be beneficial to us as we move forward," he said.

A permanent chief executive is expected to be named in September to start work in the New Year.

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Ex-police chief is honoured

Front, Lillian Holder and director of nursing Denise McMahon with Michael's sister, Joan Dunn, son Andrew Holder, grandson Laurie Holder and daughter Nicola Perks

A former police chief has been honoured after his family and friends raised thousands of pounds for a new day room at a Dudley hospital in his memory.

Relatives of Michael Holder, an ex-chief superintendent of West Midlands Police, gathered at Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital for the unveiling of the room.

It will be used to help in the recovery of stroke patients.

Mr Holder died at the hospital in 2008 after suffering two strokes. He was 64. His wife Lillian, son Andrew and daughter Nicola praised the care he received.

They along with his friends and former colleagues have raised more than £4,500 to help equip the room with a table, chairs, pictures, a TV, radio and CD player.

Mr Holder, from Wollescote, first joined the police as a cadet at the age of 16.

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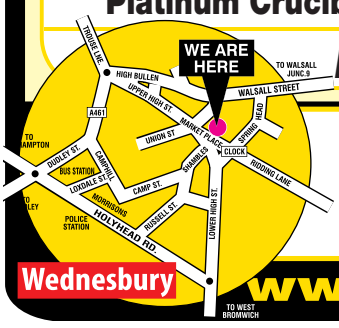

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27st Vikki sheds the weight and the years

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Eight years ago, Vikki Billingham could barely manage a trip to the shops. At 27st, not only did she struggle to get around, she was too embarrassed to go out very often.

The mother-of-two found it difficult to get clothes to fit her size 32 figure. But ultimately, her weight was preventing her from being active with her young daughter. She struggled to take her to the playground without getting out of breath.

This spurred her to take action to lose weight. Now, with the help of diet magazines and a Black Country slimming group, the super slimmer is down to a svelte 10st 9lbs – and a size 12 – and loves nothing more than a trip out to get the latest fashions.

"It got to a certain point and I just had enough – I could hardly do anything with my daughter Jessica, who was three at the time, and I got sick of how I was living my life," said care assistant Vikki.

"I couldn't get about easily as I'd get out of breath, and shopping was a depressing experience. Finding something that fit was tough and even when you did it didn't look right, so I dressed a lot older than I was.

Younger

"It's so much easier now, it's lovely to be able to walk in a shop and pick anything up and know it will fit. I feel so much younger now than I did back then."

Now aged 38, Vikki's long journey started out with her buying Slimming World magazines for their recipes and cooking them up at home in Ellis Avenue, Brierley Hill. "I was too embarrassed to even go to the groups to start with – I wanted to lose a bit of weight first," she admitted. "I lost about 11st on my own but then started to find the last few stone were really difficult to shift.

"So about four years ago I started going to the group which meets at the Oakfield Centre in Brettell Lane and they gave me the support I needed to keep going."

Before, she said, her diet was full of "all the wrong things" – a lot of bread, fried food and takeaways, and very little fruit and vegetables. Now she cooks everything from scratch eating fresh fruit, vegetables and fish. Her two children, Jessica, 12, and James, three, also enjoy healthy eating. Jessica has lost half a stone after going to the group meetings with Vikki.

As well as the diet, Vikki goes walking and in January this year joined a gym to improve her fitness and lose the two pounds that will take her to her ideal weight.

"It has changed my life completely – I do things now that I never would have dreamed of doing just a few years ago," she said.

Vikki when she weighed nearly 27 stones

The new, slimmer Vikki Billingham

Boyfriend jailed over pub fight

A man has been jailed for nearly five months after he admitted punching another man and going to a pub from which he was banned by a court order.

Darren Oakes, 33, went to The Whitley, Stourbridge Road, Halesowen, on January 1 to talk to his girlfriend's family as they did not approve of their relationship.

But the meeting "descended into violence" landing Oakes in the dock while still on a suspended sentence for another matter, Wolverhampton Crown Court heard.

Oakes, of Cross Street, Halesowen, admitted common assault, two breaches of an exclusion order and breach of a suspended sentence at an earlier hearing.

The court heard it had been Oakes's cousin Wayne Brittain who threw the first punch, hitting Mark Robertson in the face. But Oakes, who had left the pub briefly, returned and threw another punch at Mr Robertson, the brother of his girlfriend.

Mr Gurdeep Garcha, defending, said Oakes had gone to the pub to try to resolve the situation and was not looking for trouble.

Judge Gosling jailed Oakes for two months for the common assault, 14 days for each of the two breaches of the exclusion order and two months for breaching the earlier suspended sentence.

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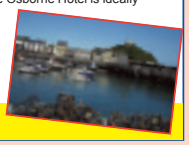

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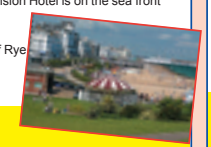

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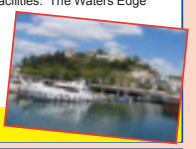

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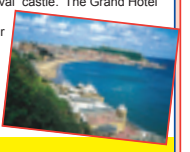

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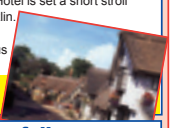

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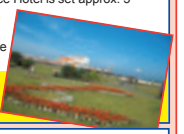

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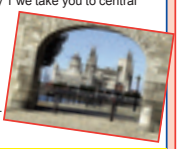

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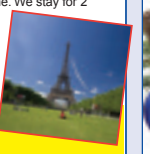

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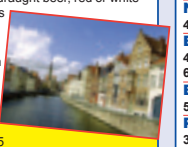

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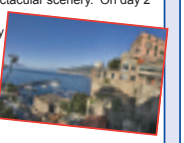

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Town centre needs to be our highest priority

Dudley North Labour MP Ian Austin takes the stand in our weekly Chronicle column which gives our local representatives the chance to air their views on issues that matter

I get letters and emails every week about the state of Dudley town centre and the subject always comes up when I'm talking to residents on the doorstep.

I grew up in the town and spent my Saturdays wandering from Graduate Records to Beatties or meeting friends at the cafe upstairs at Littlewoods.

I had my first job in McDonald's in the High Street and my parents bought my bike from Criterion Cycles on King Street, so like everyone else from Dudley, I remember the town's past.

Like lots of town centres, there's no doubt out-of-town shopping has had a big impact. The recession has hit the town centre hard too. But the loss of the university campus and closure of town centre car parks have caused problems as well.

And the council have had all sorts of grand plans for the town centre but even when the economy was booming and there was record public spending hardly a brick was laid in the town centre.

"We've got to be much more ambitious for our town and come up with a new vision to bring people to Dudley. I refuse to accept that our best days are behind us. I want us to be a place which has our confidence back."

The town's had some real knocks and people's confidence has been shaken, but it's not all doom and gloom.

Asda have just invested £600,000 and created two dozen new jobs at the top of the High Street. We've got some great specialist shops like Roger Scott's Menswear or the toyshop at the bottom of the arcade where every child in Dudley has spent their pocket money. Dudley College is building a new campus which will bring more people into the town centre and boost trade. But we need the council to make the town centre its number one priority and accelerate plans to bring empty buildings back into use and revamp the market place. They keep telling us they've got supermarkets interested in developing a major store at the bottom of the High Street but we need to see action.

Surely the time is now right to admit the Stone Street Square experiment has not worked? It's hardly used and many traders think it should be turned back into a car park providing convenient short-term spaces for people popping to town.

The town centre traders know more about attracting shoppers than anyone so, next, I think they should get together, produce a manifesto for the town centre and work with the council to boost trade in the town.

And I want to hear your views too. What do you think should be done to bring new visitors to Dudley and boost trade in the town? Email me at austini@parliament.uk and put forward your proposals.

We've got to be much more ambitious for our town and come up with a new vision to bring people to Dudley.

I refuse to accept that our best days are behind us. I want us to be a place which has our confidence back.

Doorstep

Where else has got a castle like ours, as well as the zoo, a world-class attraction like the Black Country Living Museum and the Priory and the park on the town centre's doorstep?

Anywhere else would be using attractions like that to bring visitors to the town, but the Conservative councillors running Dudley closed the tourist information office in the town!

It's great that the zoo has won lottery money to improve the entrance and buildings and the castle and zoo are getting better every year, but I think we should be doing much more to use tourism and culture to change Dudley's image and bring new visitors to the town and I refuse to accept that we can't open up the castle and use it for concerts and plays throughout the summer months.

Everyone I talk to in Dudley thinks that would be a great way of transforming the town. They can see how Ludlow has transformed itself on the back of Shakespeare in the Castle and if outdoor concerts can work at Cannock Chase, there's no reason we can't do the same.

That way we could bring thousands of people to Dudley every weekend, spending money in bars, restaurants and shops.

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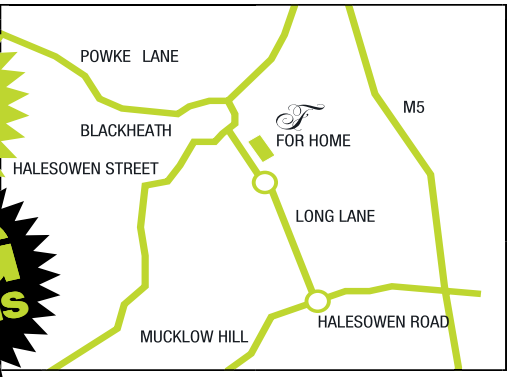

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Review of parking is now considered

Reviewing the number of long and short-stay parking spaces available in Stourbridge town centre is one option being considered by council chiefs as they prepare for the closure of a multi-story car park.

The 458-space Bell Street car park, used by shoppers and those heading to the nearby Crystal Leisure Centre, is to close later this year to make way for a £50million Crown Centre revamp, including a new Tesco.

It is not thought any extra spaces will be created in the town centre.

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However, council bosses say they are looking at the number of long and short-stay spaces, and whether to adjust the numbers of either. Transport chief Councillor Patrick Harley, added: "Bell Street multi-storey is currently used by some short stay and long-stay visitors and we have already started work in relation to ensuring parking capacity will be made available in the town, once Bell Street car park is closed.

Alternatives

"Alternatives will include other car parks around the town, including the Rye Market multi-storey car park, which is only 200 metres from the leisure centre and will go a long way to meeting demand.

"In addition to the Rye Market multi-storey, Stourbridge also has Church Street and Birmingham Street car parks, as well as short stay on-street car parking throughout the town centre."

Plans are also in the pipeline for a new car park under the Crown Centre as part of the redevelopment of the site.

Councillor Harley added: "On top of this, in the longer-term, regeneration plans for the town include the creation of a new privately owned two-level car park to accommodate around 600 cars."

It is hoped work will start on the new Tesco in January. Tesco hopes the superstore will open by Christmas 2012 creating around 400 new full and part-time jobs.

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Fruit tea for charity

Lorraine Attwood, front left, Rebecca Higgins, aged four, Val Highway, Sheila Hulse, and Olivia Brown, two, at the strawberry tea party held for charity

Lace tablecloths and home-made goodies adorned a Stourbridge church hall as parishioners held their third annual charity Strawberry Tea Party.

Visitors to Cobden Street Methodist Church in Wollaston were able to buy a range of fresh local fruit and veg, home-baked cakes and biscuits, and bric-a-brac which had been donated throughout the year.

Organiser Val Highway said she was "thrilled" with the success of the event, which raised more than £340 for Breast Cancer Care. Mrs Highway, aged 65, of Laburnham Street, Wollaston, said: "I would like to thank all my friends and family who helped with the event as I could not have done it without them." Strawberry Tea Parties are a national drive to raise money for Breast Cancer Care. For information visit **www.breastcancercare.org.uk**

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Longer life 'is all in the genes'

Avoiding over-indulgence and idleness is no guarantee of reaching a ripe old age, a study has found.

Researchers said longevity may be programmed into genes.

The findings suggest that nature is more important than lifestyle, or "nurture", when it comes to exceptionally long lifespans, with a healthy diet and exercise not having any impact.

The study supports anecdotal evidence of older people who smoke, drink and eat stodgy food with abandon, compared with young people who take scrupulous care of their health and still die young from heart disease or cancer. Scientists interviewed 477 people between the ages of 95 and 112 in an ongoing study of longevity.

Elderly participants, 75 per cent of whom were women, were questioned about lifestyle at age 70 – considered to be representative of how they had lived for most of their adult lives.

They answered questions on weight and height and gave details of alcohol consumption, smoking habits, physical activity and diet.

The results were compared with data from 3,164 people born around the same time as the centenarians who had taken part in a health and diet survey. Overall, the long-living group did not have healthier habits than the comparison group.

For instance, just 27 per cent of elderly women and an equal percentage of women in the general population attempted to eat a low-calorie diet.

Among long-living men, 24 per cent consumed alcohol daily compared with 22 per cent of the general population.

Just 43 per cent of male centenarians reported engaging in regular exercise of moderate intensity, compared with 57 per cent of men in the comparison group.

Warning over fires in gardens

A warning to people planning a back garden bonfire has been issued by firefighers in Worcestershire after a small blaze spread to several neighbours' gardens, leaving a trail of wreckage.

Three crews from Droitwich and Worcester were called to the fire in Morton Road, Fernhill Heath, last week following 14 calls from residents saying fences and sheds were alight.

Station commander Dean Baker said: "The bonfire had been lit near some conifer trees which, due to the dry conditions and the breeze on the day, quickly caught light.

"The fire then spread along the row of conifers into six neighbouring gardens, destroying fencing and eight sheds and outbuildings. Thankfully no one was injured but we want to highlight our garden bonfire advice."

He said people should keep a bucket of water handy, never light a fire near trees or buildings, and never leave it unattended.

Bags of help from youngsters

Youngsters collected six bags of litter from around their school in less than two hours as part of a nationwide scheme to keep streets tidy.

More than 80 pupils at Lutley Primary School, Halesowen, took part in the Big Tidy Up event.

Armed with bags, litter pickers and brushes, youngsters cleaned up around the school grounds before venturing outside to remove rubbish in green areas. They collected six bags of rubbish with one filled entirely with recyclable items.

It is the third time the school in Brookwillow Road, has taken part in the scheme. They traditionally stage the litter pick in the week before the six week holiday.

Teaching assistant and event organiser Liz Cole said: "We like to do it this time of year because it leaves the school nice and tidy before we break up.

"Ideally we would like to stage more events of this kind and it is something I am working on at the moment. The children worked really hard and the school grounds and surrounding areas now look absolutely spotless."

Reece Gillard, Eve Higgins, Neve Kelly and Ryan Bevan get ready for the litter pick

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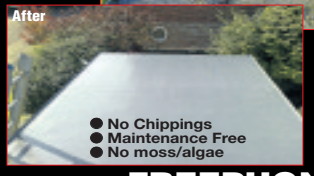

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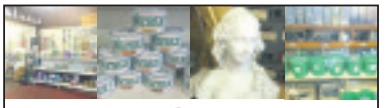

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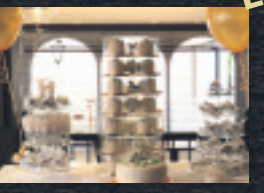

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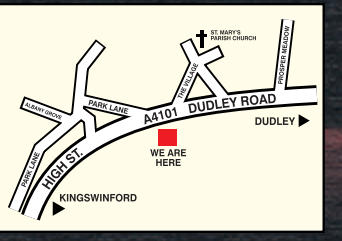

Holy smoke – it's Batman live

Our superhero takes to the skies above Gotham City

Hero or villain – Catwoman could be the love interest

Any clues from the Riddler?

Penguin – oldest enemy

THE BAT is back and this time it's in person when DC Comics' superheroes Batman and Robin are reunited – in Birmingham.

The Batmobile roars into the city for seven performances of Batman Live at the NIA between Wednesday, August 17, and Sunday August 21, as part of a world aren tour.

The adventures of the Dark Knig have been enjoyed in comics, b buster movies and even a rather c television show famous for its the tune, but the modern day Batman is probably most popular with yo sters today for his video game a tures, has never before been the s such a spectacular live action show

Circus

Two and a half years in the mak 43-strong cast of actors and d trained acrobats and a 3D set com actual constructions with video animation will bring Batman and Gotham City to life, along with the visual impact of a 100-foot bat-shaped LED video wall and an atmospheric symphonic score.

Of course, Batman and Robin would have little to do other than skulk around the Batcave without the super-villains, and all your favourite anti-heroes will be putting in an appearance.

The rogues' gallery features The Joker, The Penguin, The Riddler, Harley Quinn, Poison Ivy and – hero or villain-

The Birmingham NIA shows are at 7pm from Thursday to Saturday with extra shows at 11am and 3pm on the Saturday. Sunday's show is at 3pm only. Ticket prices (excluding booking fee) range from £20 to £35 and there are also limited availability of premium 'Gotham City' seats. Call 0844 338 8000 or visit theticketfactory.com online. See *www.thenia.co.uk* or *www.batmanlive.com* for more details on the show.

Comics characters and stories, the story for Batman Live focuses on Robin's thirst for revenge (or should that be quest for justice?) after the murder of his family which leads him to seek out the mysterious vigilante known as the Batman, much to the dismay of his guardian, billionaire Bruce Wayne, who secretly is Batman.

The adventure will transport the audience across Gotham City from the Big Top to the Batcave, taking in Penguin's Iceberg Lounge and Arkham Asylum for the criminally insane.

With acrobatic stunts, amazing aerial action, choreographed fight scenes and the all-new Batmobile – redesigned by F1 racing car designer Professor Gordon Murray – it adds up to a unique experience for comic book fans to see their heroes in the costumed flesh.

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"Batman will be brought to life through this incredible stage show," said Brad Globe, President of Warner Bros Consumer Products.

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That's quite a promise but judging by reviews of performances so far – the show has already played in Manchester, Newcastle, Glasgow and this week Sheffield – it's been described as a thrilling family show.

Much attention is given to the staging and costumes, not surprising considering the show is rumoured to have cost more than £7 million to create.

Batman and Robin appear in Birmingham from August 17

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Joker – master criminal

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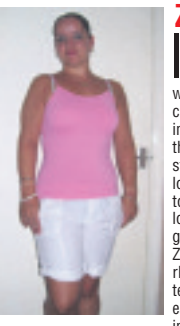

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BBC1

Breakfast. Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. The Good Cook. (R) BBC News; Regional News; Weather. Football Focus. Cash in the Celebrity Attic. (R) Bargain Hunt Famous Finds. (R) Film Father of the Bride Part II. (1995) Comedy sequel, starring Steve Martin. Final Score. BBC News; Regional News; Weather. Total Wipeout. (R)

Tonight's the Night. With the Saturdays, Samantha Womack, Kiri Te Kanawa and Jay Sean. Last in the series.

The National Lottery: In It to Win It. Dale Winton presents the quiz show in which five contestants answer questions to scoop a big prize. Includes the Lotto, Lotto Plus 5 and Thunderball draws. Last in the series.

Casualty. Jeff and Dixie are called to a remote farmhouse that appears to be inhabited by a drug baron, while Jordan worries his brain tumour may be returning. Guest starring Ewa Pope.

John Bishop's Britain. Entertainment show, featuring Andrew Flintoff.

BBC News; Weather.

Match of the Day. New series. Action from the opening Premier League games of the season; National Lottery Update.

The Football League Show. Highlights of today's Football League games; Weatherview.

BBC News.

BBC2

CBeebies. CBBC. The Sky at Night. (R) Homes Under the Hammer. Diagnosis Murder. (R) Film Gymnast. (2008) Premiere. Documentary following gymnasts training for the 2008 Olympics. Film: Four Minutes. (2005) Fact-based drama, starring Jamie Maclachlan. Escape to the Country. (R) It's Marty Feldman. (R)

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Marty Feldman: Six Degrees of Separation. Tribute to the comedian. (R)

Play It! From Luton, Bedfordshire. (R)

Dad's Army. The platoon takes part in an exercise with the regular Army. (R)

Imagine – Stirling for Lucian Freud. A profile of the late artist. (R)

BBC Proms 2011. Pianist Benjamin Grosvenor performs with the National Youth Orchestra of Great Britain.

The Rob Brydon Show. With Chris O'Dowd, Ronnie Wood and Mick Hucknall. (R)

Top of the Pops 2: School Days. A compilation of school-themed hits. (R)

Film Mark Dawson (1998) Drama, starring Benedict Taylor. Film Quatermass 2. (1957) Hammer sci-fi horror sequel, starring Brian Donlevy. Close.

ITV1

CITV: Mini CITV. CITV. Ten Mile Menu. (R) Coronation Street. This Morning Saturday. You've Been Framed! (R) ITV News; Weather. Film Murder on the Orient Express. (1974) Agatha Christie mystery, starring Albert Finney. Film: From Russia with Love. (1963) James Bond thriller, starring Sean Connery. Regional Programmes.

ITV News; Weather.

FILM: Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix. (2007) The wizard unites his fellow pupils into a secret army to battle the resurrected Lord Voldemort. Fantasy adventure sequel, starring Daniel Radcliffe.

Ronnie Corbett's Comedy Britain. Part two of two. The veteran entertainer speaks to Harry Hill at the madcap comedian's unique prop store, before having tea with Little Britain star David Walliams and his mother.

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FILM: I Am Legend. (2007) Sci-fi thriller, with Will Smith and Alice Braga.

The Cube: Celebrity Special. (R) The Zone. ITV News Headlines. In Plain Sight. ITV Nightscreen. ITV Morning News.

Channel 4

Sol Mali. (R) The Hoobs. (R) The Hoobs. (R) Channel 4 Presents – Will Bayley 2012. (R) MSA Formula Ford Championship. The Grid. The Morning Line. T4: Friends. (R) T4: Hollyoaks Music Show. T4: Smallville. (R) T4: Friends. (R) T4: Pop Up Pop Quiz. T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) The TV Book Club. Channel 4 Presents – Joe Bestwick 2012. A profile of the Paralympic wheelchair basketball bronze medallist. (R) Channel 4 Racing. Hughie Fish Fight: The Battle Continues. (R) Come Dine with Me. (R) Come Dine with Me. (R) Channel 4 News.

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Come Dine with Me. (R)

StreetDance. Part one of two. Teams competing in the 2011 Street Dance XXL championship.

FILM: Exit Through the Gift Shop. (2010) Premiere. Documentary following a street-art enthusiast.

The Aussie Roadshow.

Legion.

Film Starsuckers. (2009) Real Estate. Tight Jeans. Film: The Idiots. (1998) Spider. Incident by a Bank. Raindance. Hill Street Blues. Sol Mali.

Channel 5

Milkshake! Inside Hollywood. (R) Mexican Food Made Simple. (R) Ultimate Police Interceptors. (R) Monster Moves. (R) Film Ivanhoe. (1952) Medieval adventure, starring Robert Taylor. Film Krull. (1983) Fantasy adventure, starring Ken Marshall. Film The Seventh Voyage of Sinbad. (1958) Arabian fantasy adventure, with Kerwin Mathews.

Cricket. England v India. Mark Nicholas introduces highlights of the fourth day of the Third Test at Edgbaston, where the hosts have an excellent recent record.

5 News Weekend.

NCIS. The team tries to stop a suicide bomber. Drama, with Mark Harmon and Michael Weatherly. (R)

CSI: Miami. A near-fatal knife attack sees Ryan and the team chasing a trio of con artists, but their inquiries again bring them under threat from Russian mobsters. (R)

Law & Order: Special Victims Unit. A polygamist's wife is murdered.

CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. A man whose daughter went missing is murdered. Crime drama, starring George Eads and Laurence Fishburne. (R)

Inside Hollywood. Magazine show.

SuperCasino. Animal Rescue Squad. (R) The FBI Files. (R) Hana's Helpline. (R) The Milkshake! Show. (R) Thomas & Friends. (R) Roary the Racing Car. (R)

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ITV2

3.10 Film: Free Willy 2: The Adventure Home (1995) 5.15 Film: Kindergarten Cop (1990) 7.15 Film: Wild Wild West (1999) 9.20 The Xtra Factor: Rewind 2011 Caroline Flack narrates. 10.30 Celebrity Juice: X Factor Special 11.20 Film: King Kong (2005)

ITV3

3.55 Film: Murder, She Wrote: The Celtic Riddle (2003) 5.45 Agatha Christie's Pale Horse 8.00 Agatha Christie's Marple 10.00 Inspector Morse

ITV4

3.30 British Touring Car Championship Highlights 5.00 Tommy Cooper 6.00 The Professionals 7.00 Minder 8.00 The Sweeney 9.00 Film: Rocky II (1979) 11.35 Film: Green Street (2005)

BBC THREE

7.00 International Rugby Union 8.00 Top Gear 9.00 England's Worst Ever Football Team The country's poorest national football team is chosen. 10.00 Live at the Apollo 10.45 Family Guy 11.20 American Dad

BBC FOUR

7.00 The Blue Planet 8.00 Carrot or Stick – A Horizon Guide to Raising Kids 9.00 Wallander. Katarina tries to prosecute a businessman with links to the criminal world. Last in the series. 10.25 The Great Outdoors; Chopin Etudes 11.05 Imagine: Being a Concert Pianist

E4

2.25 Hollyoaks 5.00 Friends 6.00 One Tree Hill 7.00 The Big Bang Theory 8.00 Film: Monster-in-Law (2005) Romantic comedy starring Jennifer Lopez and Jane Fonda. 10.00 50 Greatest Wedding Shockers. Countdown of memorable ceremonies.

FILM4

3.15 Murder at the Gallop (1963) 4.55 Those Glory, Glory Days (1983) 6.40 Freedom Writers (2007) 9.00 Titanic (1997) Romantic drama, starring Kate Winslet and Leonardo DiCaprio.

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Sunday TV

BBC1

[illegible] Breakfast. [illegible] Match of the Day. (R) [illegible] Breakfast. [illegible] Sunday Morning Live. [illegible] Country Tracks; Weather for the Week Ahead. [illegible] BBC News. [illegible] Cash in the Celebrity Attic. (R) [illegible] Bargain Hunt Famous Finds. (R) [illegible] EastEnders. [illegible] My Family. (R) [illegible] My Family. (R) [illegible] Escape to the Country. (R) [illegible] Songs of Praise.

[illegible] **[illegible]** Steve Backshall visits Argentina and Peru.
[illegible] **BBC News; Regional News; Weather.**
[illegible] **[illegible]** New series. Paul Martin goes in search of forgotten places and objects that shed new light on British history and meets Prince Charles at Dumfries House in Ayrshire.
[illegible] **Countryfile.** John Craven discovers how the landscape of south-west England inspired novelist Thomas Hardy and Matt Baker heads out to sea to watch the Isle of Wight's biggest boat race.
[illegible] **[illegible]** New series. The lives of whales and dolphins.
[illegible] **BBC News; Regional News; Weather.**
[illegible] **[illegible] of the Day 2.** Stoke City v Chelsea and West Bromwich Albion v Manchester United.
[illegible] **Regional Programmes.**

[illegible] Sign Zone: Dragons' Den. (R) [illegible] Holby City. (R) [illegible] Richard Hammond's Journey to the Bottom of the Ocean. (R) [illegible] The Good Cook. (R) [illegible] BBC News.

BBC2

[illegible] CBeebies. [illegible] CBBC. [illegible] Something for the Weekend. With Katy B and Deborah Meaden. [illegible] International Rugby Union. [illegible] Live MotoGP. The Czech Republic Grand Prix (Start-time 1.00pm). [illegible] Coast. Nick Crane climbs sea cliffs on the island of Anglesey in North Wales. [illegible] Film: Two Men Went to War. (2002) Fact-based Second World War comedy thriller, starring Kenneth Cranham. [illegible] Film: The Alamo. (2004) Historical Western adventure, starring Dennis Quaid.

[illegible] **[illegible]** Documentary following a honeyant queen's rise to power. (R)
[illegible] **[illegible]** Searching for the world's best four-seat supercar. (R)
[illegible] **[illegible]** A fancy dress company and an innovative litter tray for dogs.
[illegible] **FILM: [illegible]** (2008) Premiere. An aspiring actress becomes suspicious of a family friend's suicide, and discovers her father's dark secrets. Thriller, set in 1939, with Romola Garai and Bill Nighy.
[illegible] **FILM: [illegible]** (2009) Premiere. Drama, with Katie Jarvis and Michael Fassbender.

[illegible] BBC News. [illegible] The Super League Show. [illegible] Close.

ITV1

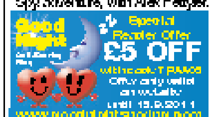
[illegible] CITV: Mini CITV. [illegible] CITV. [illegible] May the Best House Win. (R) [illegible] Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) [illegible] 60 Minute Makeover. (R) [illegible] This Morning Sunday. [illegible] ITV News; Weather. [illegible] Survival: Tales from the Wild. [illegible] Film: Columbo: Ashes to Ashes. (1998) Detective drama, starring Peter Falk and Patrick McGoohan. [illegible] Midsomer Murders. (R) [illegible] Ladies of Letters. (R)

[illegible] **Ladies of Letters.** Vera begins associating with unsavoury new acquaintances. (R)
[illegible] **Regional Programmes.**
[illegible] **ITV News; Weather.**
[illegible] **Joanna Lumley's Nile.** The actress follows the river into Northern Sudan. (R)
[illegible] **Born to Shine.** Jamie McAlpine, John Barnes and Gareth Thomas take part.
[illegible] **Law & Order: UK.** A boy is intimidated into keeping silent about a shooting. Last in the series.
[illegible] **ITV News at Ten; Weather.**
[illegible] **FILM: Jarhead.** (2005) Gulf War drama, with Jake Gyllenhaal.

[illegible] The Zone. Shopping and interactive gaming. [illegible] ITV News Headlines. [illegible] British Superbike Championship Highlights. Round eight from Brands Hatch. [illegible] Motorsport UK. Highlights from Croft. [illegible] ITV Nightscreen. Text-based information service. [illegible] ITV Morning News.

Channel 4

[illegible] The Treacle People. (R) [illegible] The Hoobs. (R) [illegible] The Hoobs. (R) [illegible] Triathlon. [illegible] T4: The Crush. [illegible] T4: The Wanted's Postcard from T4 on the Beach. (R) [illegible] T4: Friends. (R) [illegible] T4: Hollyoaks. [illegible] T4: Friends. (R) [illegible] T4: Ibiza Rocks. [illegible] T4: Professor Green's RockCorps. [illegible] T4: The Simpsons. (R) [illegible] T4: The Simpsons. (R) [illegible] Undercover Boss. The MD of Isuzu Truck UK goes back to the shop floor. (R) [illegible] Help! My House Is Falling Down. A Victorian property in Hull threatening to collapse. (R) [illegible] Channel 4 Presents – Jody Cundy 2012. An insight into the Paralympic track cyclist's life. (R) [illegible] Film: Stormbreaker. (2006) Spy adventure, with Alex Pettyfer.



[illegible] **Channel 4 News.**
[illegible] **[illegible]** A personal reflection on last month's mass killing in Norway.
[illegible] **FILM: [illegible]** (2008) Superhero adventure, starring Robert Downey Jr and Jeff Bridges.
[illegible] **[illegible]** Conclusion.
[illegible] **[illegible]** Part of the Street Summer season.
[illegible] **Life of Rhyme.** The development of British rap music. Part of the Street Summer season.

[illegible] Film: Dark Days. (2000) Homeless people living in New York City's subways. [illegible] Without a Trace. [illegible] Hung. [illegible] Brothers & Sisters. (R) [illegible] Hill Street Blues. (R)

Channel 5

[illegible] Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. [illegible] Roary the Racing Car. (R) [illegible] Fifi and the Flowertots. (R) [illegible] Fireman Sam. (R) [illegible] Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. (R) [illegible] Elmo's World. (R) [illegible] Mio Mao. (R) [illegible] The Save-Ums! (R) [illegible] Noddy in Toyland. (R) [illegible] Hana's Helpline. (R) [illegible] Little Princess. (R) [illegible] Milkshake! Monkey. (R) [illegible] The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) [illegible] Shaun the Sheep... [illegible] Sheepdog Tales. (R) [illegible] Rupert Bear. (R) [illegible] Olivia. (R) [illegible] The Mr Men Show. (R) [illegible] The Milkshake! Show. (R) [illegible] Animal Rescue Squad. (R) [illegible] New Cowboy Builders. (R) [illegible] New Cowboy Builders. (R) [illegible] New Cowboy Builders. (R) [illegible] Film: The Secret Garden. (1993) Children's drama, starring Kate Maberly. [illegible] Film: The Bachelor. (1999) Romantic comedy starring Chris O'Donnell. [illegible] Film: Ice Age. (2002) Animated adventure, with the voice of John Leguizamo.

[illegible] **5 News Weekend.**
[illegible] **[illegible]**
[illegible] **Gladiator: The True Story.** The real-life events behind Ridley Scott's film. (R)
[illegible] **FILM: 300.** (2006) Leonidas, king of Sparta, leads 300 warriors into battle against the invading armies of the ruler of the Persian empire. Adventure, with Gerard Butler.
[illegible] **FILM: Red Sonja.** (1985) Fantasy adventure, starring Brigitte Nielsen.

[illegible] SuperCasino. [illegible] Meals in Moments. (R) [illegible] Great Artists. (R) [illegible] Divine Designs. (R) [illegible] Hana's Helpline. (R) [illegible] The Milkshake! Show. (R) [illegible] Thomas & Friends. (R) [illegible] Roary the Racing Car. (R)

Digital

ITV2
3.00 Film: Wild Wild West (1999) 5.10 Film: Free Willy 3: The Rescue (1997) 7.00 The Xtra Factor: Revival 2011 8.00 The Biggest Loser 9.00 Peter Andre: Here 2 Help. The singer heads to the Isle of Wight to help at a lifeboat station. 10.00 Film: Happy Gilmore (1996) 11.55 The Xtra Factor: Revival 2011

ITV3
2.40 Rebecca 4.50 Film: Carry On Screaming (1966) 6.45 The Memoirs of Sherlock Holmes 7.55 Agatha Christie's Poirot 9.00 Film: The Bridges of Madison County (1995) Romantic drama, starring Clint Eastwood and Meryl Streep. 11.45 Film: Ice Bound (2003)

ITV4
3.35 Film: Shalako (1968) 5.50 Film: Where Eagles Dare (1968) 8.00 Minder 9.00 Film: Lethal Weapon 2 (1989) Action thriller sequel, starring Mel Gibson and Danny Glover. 11.20 Film: Rocky II (1979)

BBC THREE
7.00 The World's Strictest Parents 8.00 Don't Tell the Bride 9.00 Young, Dumb and Living Off Mum 10.00 Family Guy 10.45 American Dad 11.30 Young, Dumb and Living Off Mum

BBC FOUR
7.00 BBC Proms 2011 8.10 Come Clog Dancing – Treasures of English Folk Dance 9.10 Film: Mid-August Lunch (2008) 10.30 Catholic and the Leopard 11.20 Timeshift: Italian Noir – The Story of Italian Crime Fiction

E4
3.50 Film: Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan (1982) 6.00 Friends 7.00 Smallville 8.00 Friends 9.00 Rude Tube 10.00 Inbetweeners Top 10 Moments 11.05 The Inbetweeners' Rude Road Trip 11.40 The Big Bang Theory

FILM4
3.15 James and the Giant Peach (1996) 4.45 Von Ryan's Express (1965) 7.00 The Duellists (1977) 9.00 Transporter 3 (2008) 11.00 A Mighty Heart (2007)

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Doreen's story

I have so much to thank Mr Burchell for . . . his advice and wonderful treatment.

I had a history of problems with my own teeth and received a lot of treatment in hospital. The implants I were advised to consider have been wonderful, but I found it a difficult decision to make. I hadn't heard of the procedure for dentures, but how glad I am that I took Mr Burchell's advice.

To say I am pleased with my new teeth is an understatement.

They are absolutely perfect and a pleasure to wear. I love to show them off. The difference the implants make to the security of the denture is simply unbelievable, it really is life-changing for me.

I found Mr Burchell's expertise second to none and he went to so much trouble to make each visit to the clinic a pleasure.

In the past I would have to consider what food to eat and there was always a problem with food particles becoming trapped under the bottom denture. I no longer have any problem at all and do not have to consider what food I should have or how to eat it.

Life has changed dramatically. The

dentures are so stable I no longer have to cut an apple to eat it.Another great benefit is that I don't have to continually wash my dentures.

I can understand how people would feel nervous about having implants. I am 81 and certainly don't feel too old to invest in such a life-changing experience.

Peter's story

I can eat anything, but that's not always been the case. It's as if I have my natural teeth back and I cannot believe the difference.

Having read good reports of Mr Buchell's reputation at fabricating realistic, natural-looking, well-fitting dentures, I made an appointment to see him.

On my first consultation I explained the difficulty I was having in stopping my lower dentures from moving around and not being retained in a comfortable position.

He suggested I visited implant dentist Jonathan Pugh to determine if I would be suitable for the procedure. I agreed, but not without reservation due to procedure involved. My consultation with Mr Pugh was professional and reassuring and the X-rays he took showed I had sufficient bone to support two implants which could secure my lower denture.

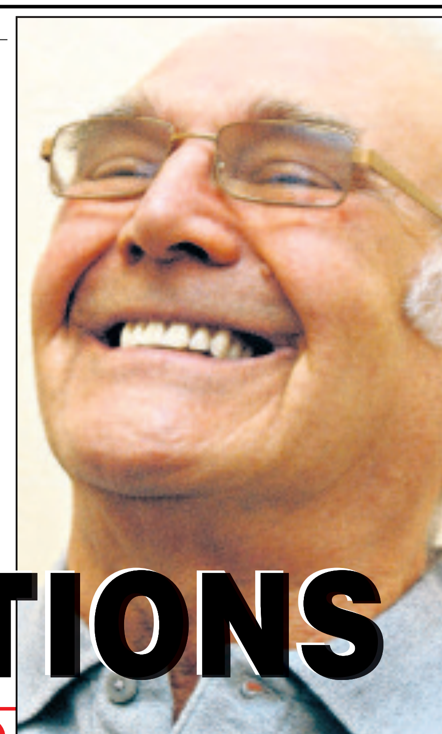
The insertion of the implants was painless – no different to having a filling.

Mr Burchell fitted my perfectly-crafted dentures, securing them to the implants.

They were a superb fit, a situation I

had not experienced for a number of years. While initial costs may appear high, having considered the long-term benefits of the treatment, I felt confident I was making the right decision.

The stability of the denture is just great and I can happily go to any restaurant without thinking about what suitable choice might be on the menu.



TRANSFORMATIONS

SOMEONE once said: "A smile happens in a flash, but its memory can last a lifetime."

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For our implants work we exclusively use implant dentist Jonathan Pugh, who is based in Wolverhampton. We have trusted, long-standing professional relationship with him.

The team is regularly surprised and humbled by the transforming nature of the clinic's work.

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With a country-wide reputation as a 'smile mechanic', he was the first of a new generation of practitioners to register in the UK. He trained in Canada and completed his qualification with The Royal College of Surgeons. Steven Burchell Dip CDT RCS(Eng) DD MCDP invites you to join a dental revolution

Terry's story

I'm a confident guy, you know, nothing really keeps me down – even when things are not good. But I had nine years of trouble with my teeth and eventually it began to erode my confidence.

I would never have believed it; I'd have a laugh about it, but it really isn't funny when you have unresolved problems with false teeth.

My dentist eventually referred me to Mr Burchell to see if there was some way of making my plates fit properly. The difference now is a world apart. My plates fit perfectly, look like my real teeth and I can live life impulsively once again. Before, if I was going to a restaurant, I would have to use a fixative to secure my teeth. That was okay if I could eat within a couple of hours of using the fixative. Anytime after that, it was hopeless, but now I can tackle anything. Previously, I had never been in contact with an actual denture-maker, teeth had always been prescribed through a dentist and the difference for me was incredible. There were five stages on the route to my final prescription and the treatment I received at every point was excellent. My teeth were well worth the money – what price can you put on being able to eat normally and socialise without embarrassment?

My confidence is back and Mr Burchell did everything he said he would: That my teeth would fit, I would be able to chew properly and they'd look real, totally natural.To sum up, there's nothing I have attempted to eat, which I have not been able to.

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BBC2 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.35 Film: The Fugitive. (1947) 1.15 Diagnosis Murder. (R) 2.00 Wanted Down Under. (R) 3.00 Weakest Link. (R) 3.45 The Hairy Bikers' Food Tour of Britain. (R) 4.30 Flog It! (R) 5.15 Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is. (R) 6.00 Eggheads. (R) 6.30 Celebrity Eggheads. (R) 7.00 Wonderstuff. 7.30 Victorian Pharmacy. 8.00 University Challenge. 8.30 Antiques Master. 9.00 Horizon. 10.00 Shooting Stars. 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 Torchwood: Miracle Day. (R) 12.15 The Tudors. (R) 1.10 BBC News. 3.40 Close.

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Channel 4 6.10 Sail Mail. (R) 6.15 The Treacle People. (R) 6.25 Freshly Squeezed. 6.55 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 7.15 According to Jim. 7.40 Frasier. (R) 8.05 T4: Friends. (R) 9.05 T4: 90210. 9.55 T4: The Saturdays: What Goes on Tour. (R) 10.10 T4: Jason Derulo: Video Exclusive. 10.15 T4: V Festival: The Countdown. 11.00 T4: Friends. (R) 11.30 T4: Friends. (R) 12.00 Channel 4 News Summary. 12.05 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away? (R) 1.05 Film: The Enemy Below. (1957) 3.00 Come Dine with Me Extra Portions. (R) 3.30 Come Dine with Me Extra Portions. (R) 4.00 Deal or No Deal. 5.00 Come Dine with Me Extra Portions. (R) 6.00 The Simpsons. (R) 6.30 Hollyoaks. 7.00 Channel 4 News. 7.55 4thought.tv. 8.00 The Secret Life of Buildings. 9.00 Concrete Circus. 10.00 One Man Walking. 11.00 Coming Up: Magic. 11.35 24 Hours in A&E. (R) 12.35 Music on 4: Calvin Harris: 360 Sessions. 1.05 Music on 4: 4Play: The Kooks. 1.20 Music on 4: Abbey Road Debuts: Lower Dens. (R) 1.35 Music on 4: The Album Chart Show: HardFi. (R) 2.00 Film: Beneath the Planet of the Apes. (1969) 3.40 Brothers & Sisters. (R) 4.25 Wogan's Perfect Recall. (R) 4.55 Grudge Match. (R) 5.05 Cookery School. (R)

Channel 5 6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The Wright Stuff. 11.10 The Wright Stuff Extra with Gabby Logan. 12.10 5 News Lunchtime. 12.15 Ice Road Truckers. (R) 1.15 Meerkat Manor. (R) 1.45 Neighbours. 2.15 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. (R) 3.15 Film: Expecting a Miracle. (2009) 5.00 5 News at 5; Weather. 5.30 Neighbours. (R) 6.00 Meerkat Manor. (R) 6.25 OK! TV. 7.00 5 News at 7. 7.30 How Do They Do It? (R) 8.00 Ultimate Police Interceptors; 5 News at 9. 9.00 Film: War. (2007) 11.10 Film: I Spy. (2002) 12.55 SuperCasino. 3.55 Music in Moments. (R) 4.05 HouseBusters. (R) 4.55 Rough Guide to Weekend Breaks. (R) 5.10 Wildlife SOS. (R) 5.35 House Doctor. (R)

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BBC2 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.35 Film: Cornered. (1945) Thriller, starring Dick Powell. 1.15 Diagnosis Murder. (R) 2.00 Wanted Down Under. (R) 3.00 Weakest Link. (R) 3.45 The Hairy Bikers' Food Tour of Britain. (R) 4.30 Flog It! (R) 5.15 Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is. (R) 6.00 Eggheads. (R) 6.30 Celebrity Eggheads. (R) 7.00 Coast. (R) 8.00 Natural World: Heligan – Secrets of the Lost Gardens. 9.00 Film: The Wildest Dream: Conquest of Everest. (2010) Premiere. The story of George Mallory's death climbing the mountain. 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 Fake or Fortune? (R) 12.20 The Tudors. (R) 1.15 BBC News. 3.40 Close.

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Channel 4 6.00 The Treacle People. (R) 6.10 The Hoobs. (R) 6.35 Freshly Squeezed. 7.00 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 7.25 According to Jim. 7.50 Frasier. (R) 8.15 T4: Friends. (R) 8.45 T4: 90210. 9.40 T4: The Saturdays: What Goes on Tour. (R) 10.00 T4: JLS: Stars and Strikes. (R) 11.00 T4: Friends. (R) 11.30 T4: Friends. (R) 12.00 Channel 4 News Summary. 12.05 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away. (R) 1.05 The Secret Supper Club. (R) 1.35 Channel 4 Presents – Mandip Sehmi 2012. (R) 1.40 Channel 4 Racing: Four races on the first day of the Ebor Festival at York. 4.00 Deal or No Deal. 5.00 Come Dine with Me. (R) 6.00 The Simpsons. (R) 6.30 Hollyoaks. 7.00 Channel 4 News. 7.55 4thought.tv. 8.00 Film: Twilight. (2008) Premiere. Fantasy romance, starring Kristen Stewart. 10.20 8 Out of 10 Cats Uncut. 11.05 The Inbetweeners. (R) 11.40 The Inbetweeners. (R) 12.10 Music on 4: Ibiza Rocks. 12.40 The Killing. (R) 1.35 Film: Ask the Dust. (2006) Romantic drama, starring Salma Hayek and Colin Farrell. 3.35 Brothers & Sisters. (R) 4.25 Hill Street Blues. (R) 5.15 Cookery School. (R)

Channel 5 6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The Wright Stuff. 11.10 The Wright Stuff Extra with Gabby Logan. 12.10 5 News Lunchtime. 12.15 Ice Road Truckers. (R) 1.15 Meerkat Manor. (R) 1.45 Neighbours. 2.15 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. (R) 3.15 Film: No Ordinary Baby. (2001) Drama, starring Bridget Fonda. 5.00 5 News at 5; Weather. 5.30 Neighbours. (R) 6.00 Meerkat Manor. (R) 6.25 OK! TV. 7.00 5 News at 7. 7.30 Garden ER; 5 News Update. 8.00 Croc Man. 9.00 NCIS. (R) 10.00 Film: Nowhere to Run. (1993) Action adventure, with Jean-Claude Van Damme. 11.55 Poker: The Big Game. 12.55 SuperCasino. 3.55 Music in Moments. (R) 4.10 Nick's Quest. (R) 4.55 Rough Guide to Adventures. (R) 5.10 Wildlife SOS. (R)

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BBC2 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.35 Coast. (R) 11.40 Film: Build My Gallows High. (1947) 1.15 Diagnosis Murder. (R) 2.00 Wanted Down Under. (R) 3.00 Weakest Link. (R) 3.45 The Hairy Bikers' Food Tour of Britain. (R) 4.30 Flog It! (R) 5.15 Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is. (R) 6.00 Eggheads. (R) 6.30 Celebrity Eggheads. (R) 7.00 The Culture Show at the Edinburgh Festival. 8.00 Monty Halls' Great Irish Escape. 9.00 Town with Nicholas Crane. 10.00 Have I Got Old News for You. (R) 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 The Hour. (R) 12.20 The Culture Show at the Edinburgh Festival. (R) 1.20 BBC News. 4.10 Close.

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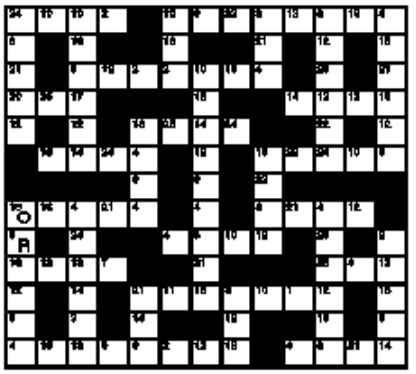

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION.

1 Y	2 H	3 K	4 W	5 E	6 R	7 J	8 L	9 P	10 A	11 G	12 I	13 Z	
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Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues – both fit the same grid.

Cryptic Clues:

Across

1. Effects a change of locks at sea (6,3)
9. Unit in money (3)
10. Man of many parts, perhaps (9)
11. Gets what one deserves, setting a snare (5)
13. Is it for the fleet footed? (4,3)
14. Nothing exists solely for fruit (6)
16. Revised and at least a deed about it (6)
18. Exertions in brief for bears (7)
19. Spirit returns after the French animal appears (5)
20. Parade in April? (5,4)
21. It's eaten in drum dance (3)
22. The chief rangers don't get flustered, it seems! (4,7)

Down

2. The grain sounds twisted (3)
3. Closes in on a marine arsenal (5)
4. Possibly strays in the woods (6)
5. Scribbled, finding birds in bed! (7)
6. Last word in the Latin language (5)
7. Accept that tourists can't pant for! (4,2,5)
8. It will be presented by a group of one (6,5)
12. Check the power to strengthen the situation (9)
15. Buried as a safety precaution (7)
17. Welcome break for a prisoner? (6)
19. Ease off the down road pressure? (3,2)
21. But it won't be a hindrance to drink high (3)

Quick Clues:

Across

1. Adapt (11)
9. Look on (3)
10. Rivalry (5)
11. Red Indian tent (5)
13. Philosopher (7)
14. 3 electrode valve (6)
16. Road (6)
18. Finger and guard (7)
19. Implant (5)
20. Dutiful behaviour (5)
21. Sorrowful (3)
22. Distinctive chance for (11)

Down

2. Shoelaced (3)
3. Abnormally fat (5)
4. Climbs (6)
5. Chandler (7)
6. Density (5)
7. Poverty (11)
8. Unfriendliness (11)
12. Prerogative (9)
15. Lovers (7)
17. Streamer (6)
19. Visionary (5)
21. Determined (3)

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS.

CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Dogs, 3 Spitfire, 7 Optical, 10 Cirque, 11 Squeezebox, 13 Thirds, 15 Stormy, 17 Christmas, 20 Irene, 21 Cod liver oil, 22 Illusion, 23 Pak. Down: 1 Property, 2 Cavity, 4 Polish, 5 Infinitesimal, 6 Twice, 7 Pool, 8 Stravaganza, 12 Eyeballs, 14 Interval, 16 Studio, 18 Blue, 19 Bird. QUICK - Across: 1 Cool, 5 Obsolete, 9 Feudal, 10 Curve, 11 Embankment, 13 Essay, 15 Street, 17 Stalactite cave, 20 Chess, 21 Fright, 22 Satisfied, 23 Pool. Down: 1 Different, 2 Start, 4 Inroad, 5 Sweetbreads, 6 Advance, 7 Earl, 8 Chiropodist, 12 Assented, 14 Pelvis, 16 Stamed, 18 Poke, 19 Order.

Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

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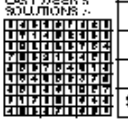
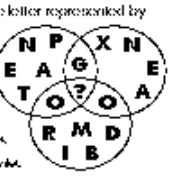
LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS :-



Circlegram

Replace the question marks with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be arranged to form words in a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question marks?



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

The letter represented by the question mark is L. Quinine, Chocolate, Potatoes, all discovered in Peru.

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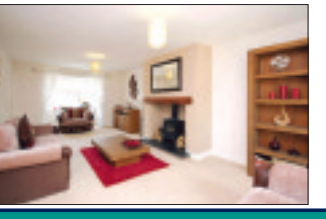

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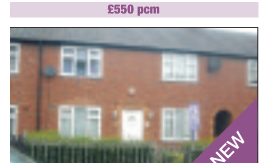

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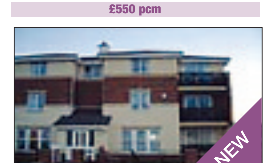

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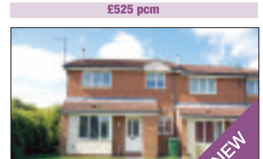

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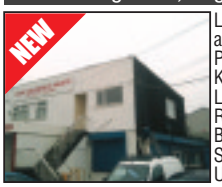

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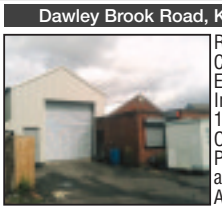

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TIPTON Hursey Drive

A four bedroom detached house with hallway, lounge, dining room, dining kitchen, utility, downstairs wc, en-suite to master bedroom, gardens to rear and side, tandem garage and a large driveway to the front.

£180,000.00 o/o

LOWER GORNAL Fiveways Court

An immaculate three bedroom mid terraced, three storey house available on 50% shared ownership basis with hallway, fitted kitchen, lounge, downstairs wc, two bedrooms and house bathroom on first floor and master bedroom on second floor, allocated parking and garden to the rear

£69,950

DUDLEY Tansey Green Road

A two bedroom well presented semi detached house with hallway, lounge, kitchen, garden to rear and garage

£99,950

DUDLEY Jews Lane

An extended three bedroom detached house with lounge, dining room, kitchen with further open plan dining area, utility, tandem garage, large driveway and garden to the rear

£144,950

TIVIDALE Timothy Road

A three bedroom semi detached house with hallway, lounge with dining area, breakfast kitchen, downstairs wc, garage, gardens to front and rear and driveway

£119,950

TIVIDALE Wheatsheaf Road

An impressive three bedroom semi detached house with hallway, lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen, utility area, downstairs toilet, garden to the rear and a private road leading to the garage and rear

£99,950

COSELEY Penwood Gardens

A two bedroom semi detached house with hallway, lounge, kitchen, garden and parking to the rear

£99,950

TIPTON Thunderbolt Way

A first floor two bedroom apartment with hallway. lounge, kitchen and allocated parking

£69,950

DUDLEY Priory Street

TO LET

A modern one bedroom ground floor flat having fitted kitchen, bathroom with shower. Double bedroom, unfurnished. Available now.

£375 PCM

DUDLEY Pearce Close

TO LET

A three bedroom end terrace property with gas central heating and double glazing. Lounge, fitted kitchen, bathroom. Off street parking, available August 2011. Unfurnished.

£525 PCM

DUDLEY Attingham Drive

NEW INSTRUCTION

A modern spacious two bedroom ground apartment. Having fitted kitchen/diner, lounge, master bedroom with fitted wardrobes, house bathroom with shower. Allocated parking, available now.

£525 PCM

RUSSELLS HALL, DUDLEY Bullfinch Close

NEW INSTRUCTION

A two bedroom semi detached house located in quiet cul de sac location. Lounge, fitted kitchen & conservatory leading to beautiful patio and established garden . Has two bedrooms and bathroom on the first floor. Central heating & double glazing. Driveway to the front. Unfurnished. No Dss. Available now.

£550 PCM

DUDLEY Central Drive

NEW PRICE

A three bedroom semi detached house having gas central heating and double glazing. Lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen. Off road parking, available now. Housing benefits may be considered.

£560 PCM

WORDSLEY Manor Road

TO LET

A mid terrace three bedroom house, lounge, fitted kitchen, bathroom with shower, one bedroom having an en-suite. Enclosed rear garden. No Dss, No pets.

£575 PCM

DUDLEY Baptist End Road

NEW INSTRUCTION

A fully refurbished three bedroom semi detached house. Double glazing, central heating, one reception room, new fitted kitchen. Three good size bedrooms, house bathroom. NO pets, DSS considered with guarantor.

£595 PCM

TIPTON Anchor Drive

TO LET

A modern three bedroom town house having double glazing and central heating. Garage, lounge, kitchen diner, house bathroom, en-suite shower/ wc. Available now, NO DSS

£600 PCM

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6 LOCAL OFFICES WORKING HARDER FOR BUYERS & SELLERS

LOWER GORNAL

Robert Street

An extremely stylish, EXCEPTIONALLY SPACIOUS, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed detached family home constructed to a highly individual specification and significantly improved by present vendors. Outstanding accommodation provides hall cloaks, magnificent 18'4" lounge, dining room with patio doors through to brick/uPVC double glazed CONSERVATORY (and steps down to 'cinema room'), breakfast kitchen with a fine range of 'light oak' units & many integrated appliances, utility room. Gallery landing, principal bedroom with built in wardrobe, shower room en suite & further walk-in wardrobe, three additional large bedrooms (one with built in wardrobes), dormer bathroom, large garage, brick/block parking to front,landscaped rear garden.SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £265,000

DUDLEY

Breamore Crescent, 'Earls Keep'

An attractive & quite distinctive double glazed & gas centrally heated Bryant built double fronted detached upon highly favoured development. Well proportioned accommodation includes reception hall, fitted cloakroom, through living room, separate dining room, kitchen, uPVC double glazed CONSERVATORY, three generous bedrooms (principal bedroom with shower room en suite), bathroom, garage, secluded rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £189,950

WALL HEATH VILLAGE

52 Foundry Road

A HIGHLY INDIVIDUAL, SUCCESSFULLY EXTENDED, 'PERIOD' SEMI-DETACHED COTTAGE which is exceptionally well placed for highly regarded local schooling and offering a GENEROUSLY PROPORTIONED layout of accommodation which has been ATTRACTIVELY APPOINTED AND IMPROVED, including GAS CENTRAL HEATING, DOUBLE GLAZING and comprising: reception hall, splendid large lounge, separate sitting room, attractively refitted dining kitchen, inner hall / pantry, ground floor w.c, study/office/bedroom 3, TWO GOOD SIZED FIRST FLOOR BEDROOMS and refitted bathroom. Gently elevated and set back beyond an attractive fore garden and enjoying GENEROUS SIDE / REAR GARDENS with LARGE TARMAC REAR DRIVEWAY with access via neighbouring Caswell Road. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £179,950

ROWLEY REGIS

Wendover Road

A spacious three bedroomed traditional detached having gas radiator heating and double glazing, requiring internal inspection and comprising: Welcoming hall, delightful through lounge with dining area having feature fireplace, kitchen with built in oven and hob and integral fridge, rear sitting room with fitted bar, three good size bedrooms, superb re-fitted bathroom, garage and pleasant rear garden. HALESOWEN OFFICE 0121 550 3978

Offers in the region of £179,950

WOLVERHAMPTON

Grosvenor Road, Ettingshall Park

An exceptionally well presented & meticulously maintained EXTENDED, freehold, gas centrally heated & double glazed semi detached in favoured neighbourhood. Superb accommodation provides enlarged porch, reception hall, store, 24'4" through living rom (previously separate rooms), extended/refitted breakfast kitchen with fine range of 'maple' effect units & various integrated appliances, three bedrooms, enlarged/re- appointed bathroom with white suite, 18ft. garage, lengthy expertly tended & secluded rear garden.SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £166,950

WORDSLEY

32 Lawnswood Road

Superbly located within this much sought after address, well placed for local shops and amenities, together with the extensive grounds of Wordsley's King George Park, this TRADITIONAL SEMI-DETACHED FAMILY HOME offers an INCREDIBLY SPACIOUS LAYOUT of accommodation, including GAS CENTRAL HEATING, UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING and comprising: entrance porch, reception hall, full depth lounge with dining area, refitted kitchen (currently unfinished), THREE GOOD SIZED BEDROOMS and refitted bathroom. Set back beyond a small front lawn with paved approach leading to the GARAGE and enjoying a patio / lawn rear garden. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £159,950 - NO UPWARD CHAIN

BRIERLEY HILL

Ravensitch Walk

Positioned on this well presented development, in a cul-de-sac location, is this much improved and well presented three bedroomed semi detached property ideally suited to the family requirements. The gas centrally heated and uPVC glazed accommodation comprises: hall, lounge, modern kitchen, utility room, three first floor bedrooms, bathroom, neatly laid out garden, garage, uPVC gutter and fascia, cavity wall insulation, block paved driveway. Viewing is essential. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers Around £137,950

BRIERLEY HILL

Waterfall Road

This property has been subject to a full scheme of modernisation in recent years and is ideally suited to the young family. The modern style three bedroomed, gas centrally heated and uPVC double glazed accommodation comprises: hall, lounge, modern kitchen/diner, modern bathroom, three first floor bedrooms, neat rear garden, parking to the front. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers Around £121,950

QUARRY BANK

Charles Road

This much improved and extended, Three bedroomed semi-detached property offers large accommodation to the ground floor and is ideally suited to the family looking for that larger than average semi-detached property comprising: Hall, Large through Lounge/Dining area, Extended Kitchen, Conservatory, three first floor Bedrooms, Shower room, Loft with Ladder, Block Paved Driveway, Realistically Priced. BRIERLEY HILL 01384 265265

Offers Around £112,950

LOWER GORNAL

Bank Road

A delightful, most attractive & conveniently situated, tradtional, gas centrally heated & mostly uPVC double glazed terraced 'starter home' within walking distance of the village & all amenities. Significantly enhanced accommodation includes sitting room with 'oak strip' floor, refitted breakfast kitchen with a fine range of 'high gloss white' effect units & integrated appliances, useful cellar, two bedrooms, reappointed bathroom with white suite. Expertly tended, sheltered rear garden with a wide range of shrubs & plants. Internal inspection vital for total appreciation. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £108,500

KINGSWINFORD

6 Hayley Court, Summer Street

Exceptionally well placed, just a short wall from the heart of Kingswinford, with its excellent range of shops and amenities, this IMPRESSIVELY SPACIOUS, MODERN GROUND FLOOR FLAT offers an ATTRACTIVELY PRESENTED arrangement of accommodation, including GAS CENTRAL HEATING, DOUBLE GLAZING and comprising: reception hall, attractive lounge, dining kitchen, excellent sized bedroom and bathroom with light colour suite. Enjoying the use of TWO ALLOCATED OFF-ROAD CAR PARKING SPACES and VERY ATTRACTIVE COMMUNAL GARDENS which require no personal upkeep and are maintained as part of the service/maintenance charge. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £99,950 - NO UPWARD CHAIN

UPPER GORNAL

Pale Street

NO UPWARD CHAIN. Comprehensively refurbished/upgraded in recent months to a fine specification, a gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed intermediate 'starter home' with TREMENDOUS DISTANT VIEWS in convenient district. Accommodation includes reception hall, lounge with bay, spacious refitted 18'10" through dining kitchen with a fine range of 'beech' effect units & various integrated appliances, outer lobby. Three bedrooms, reappointed bathroom with white suite, separate toilet, delightful sheltered rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £99,950

SEDGLEY

High Street

An attractive, EXCEPTIONALLY SPACIOUS (extended to rear), gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed detached residence that has been tremendously modernised in recent years with many period features. Enviably situated within walking distance of Sedgley's Bull Ring, and the accommodation comprises; imposing reception hall, sitting room with bay, extended 23'8" lounge, extended/refitted breakfast kitchen with a fine range of "cherrywood" effect units opening out to a MAGNIFICENT 22'9" TRANSVERSE uPVC DOUBLE GLAZED CONSERVATORY, pantry, utility room, separate w.c. FIVE BEDROOMS, bathroom, separate toilet. Garage, extensive parking, secluded rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £325,000

SEDGLEY

Elan Road

An absolutely outstanding, exceptionally stylish, gas centrally heated & Upvc double glazed detached family residence that has been "transformed" in recent years to an exemplary specification occupying a fine corner plot with good distant views, and within walking distance of the Bull Ring. Spacious accommodation includes; imposing reception hall, reappointed cloaks, magnificent 23'3" through lounge/dining room (possibilities of sub division?), enlarged refitted breakfast kitchen with a superb range of "high gloss white" contemporary look units & many integrated appliances. Imposing gallery landing, L shape through bedroom one (possibilities of creating a shower room en suite?), two further double bedrooms, reappointed bathroom with a white suite. Integral garage, secluded rear garden, extensive front & side gardens, block paved drive. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £259,950

KINVER

WHITE HILL

Enjoying a position within this popular village location, this REALLY VERY DECEPTIVE, MUCH IMPROVED AND WELL CONSIDERED, THREE BEDROOM, SEMI-DETACHED FAMILY HOME presents an excellent layout with many surprising features, and includes GAS CENTRAL HEATING AND DOUBLE GLAZING to briefly comprise: hall, pleasant sitting room, additional sitting room/family room, central hall, impressive refitted dining kitchen, large utility room, bathroom, three good first floor bedrooms and shower room. elevated frontage, deep carport, and with TRULY STUNNING REAR GARDENS which favour a view to both Kinver Edge and St Peters Church, and includes a SUBSTANTIAL WORKSHOP/GAMES ROOM. STOURBRIDGE OFFICE 01384 395555

£239,950

SEDGLEY

Dudley Road

A SPACIOUS, significantly modernised & improved, freehold, gas centrally & uPVC double glazed inter-war detached of character with many fine period features & providing FURTHER POTENTIAL with planning consent for substantial to side & rear. Accommodation includes entrance, imposing reception hall (original woodblock floor), store, elegant lounge with bay, sitting room, rear lobby, kitchen, transverse 24'3" verandah. THREE DOUBLE BEDROOMS, stylish reappointed bathroom with white suite incorporating jacuzzi, large (22'8" garage), extensive, well planted/secluded garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £224,950

KINGSWINFORD

6 Melbourne Close

Beautifully set back within a private drive off Auckland Road, COMMANDING SUPERB DISTANT VIEWS this SUCCESSFULLY EXTENDED NOW SPACIOUS 4 / POTENTALLY 5 BEDROOM FAMILY HOUSE now affords a generous layout with: Canopy Porch, Hall with Cloaks / toilet off, LOUNGE with walk-in bay, SPLENDID 15 7 x10 2 DINING ROOM, OUTSTANDING BREAKFAST/DINING KITCHEN in light oak with Range cooker and integrated appliances, FOUR EXISTING BEDROOMS with easy reversion to 5 or en-suite, IMPRESSIVE LARGE Heritage BATHROOM with spa , Gas Central & UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING. Lawn and BROAD DRIVE/PARKING, GARAGE and LARGE REAR PATIO and LANDSCAPED, SECLUDED GARDENS.KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £214,950

KINGSWINFORD

19A Oakfield Avenue

Gently elevated back beyond the LARGE FRONT DRIVEWAY, this HIGHLY INDIVIDUAL AND IMPRESSIVE DETACHED FAMILY HOME enjoys an established and sought after location, offering a GENEROUS and MOST ATTRACTIVELY PRESENTED layout of accommodation which includes GAS CENTRAL HEATING and DOUBLE GLAZING, comprising: Large Through Reception Hall, Lounge with walk-in bay, Dining Room, fitted Kitchen with built-in appliances, Utility Room, ground floor w.c, THREE BEDROOMS and white Bathroom. The property is further enhanced by the LARGE DRIVEWAY, GARAGE and an attractively laid out enclosed rear garden. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £205,000

LOWER GORNAL

The Alley

A particularly SPACIOUS, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed detached with potential in favoured 'backwater' with panoramic DISTANT VIEWS from the rear & within walking distance of country park/so many amenities. Constructed to a highly individual design circa 1978, the accommodation includes traditional 16ft reception hall, separate toilet, bathroom, principal bedroom 1 with an extensive range of fitted units, 18'4" lounge, breakfast kitchen & a verandah beyond. The first floor presently comprises central landing, double & single bedrooms but agents believe there is tremendous further potential given traditional roof construction (subject to regulations). Double tandem garage, extensive parking, delightful landscaped gardens. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £199,950

LOWER GORNAL

Cotwall End Road, Straits

Signficantly EXTENDED & conscientiously maintained, freehold, gas centrally heated & double glazed detached bungalow enviably situated in favoured district directly overlooking country park. Accommodation includes entrance vestibule, central reception hall, cloaks, two double bedrooms (both with wardrobes), bathroom, updated kitchen with a range of 'maple' effect units & various integrated appliances. Elegant lounge with dining room beyond (patio doors to garden) & a further study. Garage, carport, delightful sheltered well tended rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £189,950

DUDLEY

Aintree Way, Milking Bank

An exceptionally well presented & tremendously enhanced, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed detached excellently situated in favoured district with good distant views. Superb accomodation includes entrance porch, traditional reception hall, elegant 17'3" lounge with walk-in bay & living flame gas fire, dining room & a substantial brick/uPVC double glazed CONSERVATORY beyond, refitted kitchen with a fine range of units & various integrated appliances, laundry, fitted cloakroom (NB: garage presently sub-divided to form an 'office' & store). Three bedrooms (principal bedroom with reappointed shower room en suite & a fine range of built-in wardrobes), reappointed bathroom with stylish white suite, neat secluded landscaped rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £185,000

PENSNETT

Corbyns Hall Lane

This well presented and much improved, uPVC double glazed and gas centrally heated three bedroomed detached property offers versatile accommodation and is worthy of internal inspection, and is seen to comprise: hall, modern kitchen, guest wc, dining area, lounge, splendid conservatory addition, three first floor bedrooms, dolphin bathroom, garden to rear, block paved drive, alarm. Available with NO UPWARD CHAIN. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers around £179,950

WALL HEATH VILLAGE

18 Brooklyn Grove

Enjoying a very pleasant open front outlook within a highly sought after cul-de-sac , this DELIGHTFUL TRADITIONAL SEMI-DETACHED FAMILY HOME affords a VERY SPACIOUS and WELL PROPORTIONED layout of accommodation which is VERY WELL PLANNED and WELL MAINTAINED, comprising: Through Reception Hall, large Lounge, separate dining room, fitted Kitchen, integral Side Porch, THREE EXCELLENT SIZED BEDROOMS, luxury refitted Shower Room, WC; GAS CENTRAL HEATING and UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING. The property enjoys an attractive front garden with GENEROUS REAR/SIDE GARDENS which have a private rear aspect and LONG DRIVEWAY with GARAGE SPACE (subject to consent). KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £173,950

TIPTON

Hartland Road

Enviably situated in a pleasant cul-de-sac; this most distinctive, double glazed, gas centrally heated, three bedroomed detached family that would now benefit from sympathetic cosmetic improvement works, yet offers excellent potential. The deceptively spacious accommodation briefly comprises; entrance porch, hall, guest w.c., living room, dining room, kitchen. Three good bedrooms, bathroom with separate w.c.. Garage, block paved driveaway, and a pleasant rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £169,950

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6 LOCAL OFFICES WORKING HARDER FOR BUYERS & SELLERS

QUARRY BANK

Tyne Place

Being of particular interest to the growing family, and situated on this well regarded development is this modern style, well presented, gas centrally heated and double glazed, four bedroomed detached property worthy of internal inspection, and comprising: hall, lounge, dining room, modern kitchen, separate utility, family room, four first floor bedrooms, re-fitted shower room, garden to rear, driveway to front, must be viewed. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers around £169,950

UPPER GORNAL

Jews Lane

A superior, particularly spacious and significantly ENLARGED, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed semi detached in convenient district with PANORAMIC DISTANT VIEWS that has been 'transformed' by present vendors in recent years. Outstanding accommodation includes imposing reception hall, sitting room with bay, store, lounge, reappointed kitchen with a fine range of 'oak' units and many integrated appliances, lobby, walk-in store, 18ft dining room (potential bedroom?). Three bedrooms, reappointed bathroom with white suite, traditional roof space, neat gardens, block paved foregarden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £168,000

LOWER GORNAL

Wordsworth Road, Straits

VENDOR ADVISES SWIFT COMPLETION AVAILABLE. An EXTENDED, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed semi detached family home in favoured district within walking distance of county park/schools/post office/bus route, etc. Accommodation provides entrance vestibule, reception hall, lounge, dining room with patio doors, kitchen, FOUR BEDROOMS, bathroom, lengthy garage, garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £166,500

DUDLEY

Fairview Road

A remarkably SPACIOUS, significantly EXTENDED, freehold, gas centrally heated & primarily uPVC double glazed detached highly individual Edwardian residence in popular district within walking distance of Milking Bank & so many other amenities. There are many fine period features with the accommodation comprising canopy porch, entrance vestibule, imposing reception hall (lofty ceiling heights), transverse lounge, additional sitting room with double glazed patio doors, understairs store (leading to cellar), refitted breakfast kitchen with various appliances, sun room (with patio doors-glazed roof) and a separate toilet beyond. THREE DOUBLE BEDROOMS, large bathroom. LARGE 'CONTRACTORS GARAGE' (30ft x 10'4"), secluded walled rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offer in the region of £164,950

KINGSWINFORD

5 Kingsford Nouveau

A SUBSTANTIAL, MODERN DETACHED FAMILY HOME which enjoys a very pleasant cul de sac setting, offering a VERY SPACIOUS and WELL PRESENTED LAYOUT of accommodation, including GAS CENTRAL HEATING, UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING and comprising: reception hall, ground floor w.c, spacious lounge, separate dining room area, conservatory, fitted kitchen, utility / laundry room, THREE GOOD SIZED BEDROOMS and bathroom with light colour suite. Set back beyond a small front lawn, together a GOOD SIZED TARMAC DRIVEWAY with approach to the DETACHED GARAGE and enjoying an EXCELLENT SIZED REAR GARDEN with principally level patios and lawns. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £164,950

LOWER GORNAL

Longfellow Road, Straits

A significantly EXTENDED, Freehold, gas centrally heated & primarily uPVC double glazed semi detached with PANORAMIC DISTANT VIEWS from the rear set in favoured district close to so many amenities/country park, and comprising; enlarged transverse 18 ft lounge, refitted kitchen with a fine range of "oak" finish units, pantry, and opening through to a separate sitting room (with patio doors), and a utility section (with sky light), fitted cloakroom, superb separate dining room beyond (with double doors out to the garden & views). Three bedrooms, bathroom. Garage, delightful sun patio, lengthy secluded rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £164,950

WOLVERHAMPTON

Dovedale Road, Ettingshall Park

A TREMENDOUSLY IMPROVED, modernised & upgraded, freehold, uPVC double glazed & gas centrally heated semi detached in popular neighbourhood. Accommodation comprises enlarged reception hall, lounge with bay, reappointed/fitted cloakroom, separate dining room with patio doors, enlarged/refitted kitchen with integrated appliances. Three bedrooms (third bedroom enlarged into eaves), stylish reappointed bathroom with white suite/shower, garage, good sized garden, distant views. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £161,950

LOWER GORNAL

Masefield Road, Straits

A conscientiously, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed detached most conveniently situated in popular district within reasonable walking distance of so many amenities/country park, etc. This fine home includes entrance porch, reception hall, store, breakfast kitchen, 15'8" L-shape lounge/dining room (with patio doors), three bedrooms (two with wardrobes), reappointed shower room (former bathroom) with white suite, garage, good sized well tended/secluded rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £159,950

LOWER GORNAL

Cinder Road

RARE OPPORTUNITY, a delighful conscientiously maintained, recently uPVC double glazed & also gas centrally heated semi detached of character with TREMENDOUS POTENTIAL on periphery of well regarded village. Accommodation provides reception hall, store, large 'L-shape living/dining room (previously separate rooms), kitchen, rear lobby, boiler room, separate w.c., outer double glazed porch, utility room. Three well proportioned bedrooms, recently reappointed bathroom with contemporary look white suite. Lengthy 32ft carport, secluded rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £157,500

COSELEY

Hall Lane, Hurst Hill

TREMENDOUS OPPORTUNITY - spacious, ENLARGED, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed traditional semi detached of character with many unspoilt period features, and with enormous potential. Accommodation includes; entrance porch, reception hall, elegant lounge with bay, separate dining room, extended breakfast kitchen. Three fine bedrooms, bathroom. Potential garage space, lengthy secluded garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £155,000

COSELEY

Cedar Avenue, Bramford Estate

NO UPWARD CHAIN. An attractive, EXTENDED, and conscientiously maintained, freehold, gas centrally heated & primarily uPVC double glazed semi detached in a well regarded district. The accommodation includes; porch, reception hall, pantry, lounge with bay, sitting room, extended (11'10" x 11') breakfast kitchen. Three bedrooms, bathroom. Garage, neat garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £147,950

COSELEY

Kipling Avenue

An extremely stylish, exceptionally well presented & significantly enhanced, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed semi detached in relatively quiet yet convenient cul de sac. Accommodation provides enlarged entrance porch, reception hall, reappointed cloakroom, elegant lounge, dining room with double doors through to a brick/uPVC double glazed CONSERVATORY, kitchen with various integrated appliances, three bedrooms (one with fitted wardrobes), reappointed bathroom with white suite/chrome fittings & a shower, gated driveway & detached DOUBLE GARAGE, garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £144,950

COSELEY

Hall Lane, Hurst Hill

NO UPWARD CHAIN. A REALISTICALLY PRICED, freehold, gas centrally heated & double glazed detached with potential comprising hallway, fitted cloakroom, lounge, understairs store, dining room with patio doors, kitchen, THREE BEDROOMS, bathroom, garden, GARAGE at rear with carport section. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £142,500

STOURBRIDGE / AMBLECOTE

Platts Crescent

Enjoying a prime corner position within this backwater address, this BEAUTIFULLY PRESENTED AND THOUGHTFULLY IMPROVED, TWO BEDROOM TRADITIONAL SEMI-DETACHED HOME presents a layout with both GAS CENTRAL HEATING AND MAJORITY DOUBLE GLAZING, to briefly comprise: hall, attractive sitting room, separate dining room, SUPERB CREAM HIGH GLOSS KITCHEN, two good first floor bedrooms and with a delightful bathroom having white suite. Broad double width side drive, and with an enclosed landscaped rear garden. WORTH VIEWING. STOURBRIDGE OFFICE 01384 395555

Price: £139,950

GORNAL WOOD

Himley Road

An exceptionally stylish, tremendously modernised, enhanced & improved, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed traditional semi detached of character in favoured neighbourhood with good distant views. Superb accommodation (lofty ceiling heights) provides separate dining room, inner lobby, understairs store, excellent sitting room with living flame feature gas fire, refitted 'cottage style' kitchen with a fine range of 'Old English Cream' finish units, utility section, separate toilet. Two double bedrooms (principal bedroom with dressing room & re-tiled/ reappointed bathroom en suite with shower). Parking to front & secluded sheltered rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £134,950

COSELEY

Bridgewater Drive

This beautifully presented, modern style, extended, uPVC double glazed three bedroomed semi detached home has been conscientiously maintained by the current owners, and is situated at the head of this popular cul-de-sac. The property is well worthy of an internal inspection, and briefly comprises; living room, dining kitchen with a fine range of units, conservatory, study/playroom, guest w.c. Three bedrooms, bathroom with a white suite. Garage, double width driveway, and a low maintenance rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £132,000

COSELEY

Shakespeare Close

Situated in a quiet cul de sac, this uPVC double glazed & gas centrally heated semi detached home is available with NO UPWARD CHAIN and is well worthy of internal inspection. Accommodation briefly comprises entrance hall, spacious through lounge/dining room, refitted kitchen with a fine range of units, three good bedrooms, bathroom with white suite, driveway, garage & a lawned rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £129,950

DUDLEY

Old Park Road

EXTENDED, gas centrally heated & mostly uPVC double glazed DETACHED with potential and NO UPWARD CHAIN. Accommodation includes; enlarged porch, reception hall, pantry, lounge with bay, separate dining room with patio doors to a brick sun lounge/playroom (with sky light), extended/upgraded 16 ft kitchen (with defined laundry area). Three bedrooms, bathroom. Parking and 23 ft garage, garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £124,950

COSELEY

Clifton Street, Hurst Hill

VENDOR ADVISES NO UPWARD CHAIN. A comparatively SPACIOUS, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed traditional end terrace of character that has been conscientiously maintained & TREMENDOUSLY IMPROVED in recent years conveniently situated backing onto allotments at rear with distant views. Accommodation provides dining room with OPEN FIREPLACE, store, lounge with 'living flame' feature fireplace, refitted kitchen with a fine range of 'beech' effect units, lobby, recently reappointed bathroom with stylish white suite. THREE BEDROOMS, neat sheltered rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £119,950

COSELEY

Fullwoods End

A conscientiously maintained, primarily uPVC double glazed & gas centrally heated semi detached in well regarded/convenient neighbourhood with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Comparatively spacious accommodation includes entrance porch, reception hall, lounge with bay, separate dining room, kitchen, pantry, three bedrooms, bathroom. Outer lobby, store & separate toilet, secluded rear garden & potential garage space (no verified - subject to regulations). SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Price: £112,950

HOLLY HALL

Hallchurch Road

This traditionally styled, extended three bedroomed semi detached property has been extended on the ground floor with the useful addition of a wet room and guest wc, and is suitable for a disabled/elderly person requiring wheelchair access and ground floor washing facilities. The accommodation comprises: porch, hall, lounge, dining room, modern kitchen, wet room with guest wc, three bedrooms, bathroom, garden to front and rear, garage, majority uPVC windows, gas central heating, car port. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265.

Offers Around £109,950

UPPER GORNAL

Kinfare Rise

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Offers in the region of £106,950

UPPER GORNAL

Hill Street

NO UPWARD CHAIN, an attractive, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed tradtional end terrace of character that has been significantly modernised & improved in recent years set in popular neighbourhood with GOOD DISTANT VIEWS from the rear. Accommodation provides lounge, transverse breakfast kitchen, store, two bedrooms, reappointed shower room with white suite, slabbed patio & ALLOCATED PARKING SPACE. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £104,950

DUDLEY

Highland Road

This immaculately presented, uPVC double glazed, gas centrally heated end townhouse has been considerably improved & maintained by the current owner and is sure to appeal to first time buyers. The stylish accommodation briefly cmprises entrance porch, living room, breakfast kitchen with a fine range of units, two bedrooms (principal bedroom with built-in wardrobes), refitted bathroom with white suite, allocated parking, pleasant low maintenance rear garden with further 'secret garden' beyond. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

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★Fully fitted kitchen with Parking
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Willenhall
Leveson Street

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★Dining room with separate sitting room ★Downstairs bathroom with shower
★GCH & DG
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Tipton
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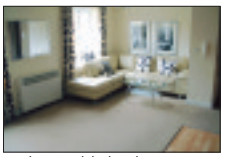

★One bed ground floor apartment ★Bathroom with bath & shower
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★Fully fitted kitchen ★Communal gardens & allocated parking
£425pcm

Wall Heath
Grove Farm
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★GCH. Allocated parking
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£425 pcm

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★Fully fitted kitchen ★Communal gardens. ORP x 2
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Castleview Road

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★Fully fitted kitchen ★Front & rear gardens
★Bathroom with bath & shower ★ORP
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Bradley
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★Unfurnished ★GCH & DG
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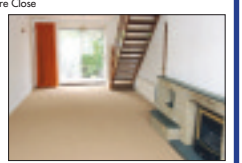

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£550 pcm
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GRACE ROAD
£495 pcm
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£550 pcm
Mid terrace. Lounge, kitchen, cloakroom, two bedrooms, bathroom, gas central heating, double glazing, front and rear gardens, off road parking.. Carpets & curtains. Unfurnished.

STOURBRIDGE

BREDON ROAD
£595 pcm
End Terrace Property, Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, WC, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Unfurnished, Front & Rear Gardens, Off Road Parking

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£360 pcm
Purpose built flat, Lounge, Kitchen, One Bedroom, Bathroom with Shower, Electric Heating, Carpets & Curtains, Unfurnished, Allocated Parking

GORNAL

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£525 pcm
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£510 pcm
Terrace property. Lounge, dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom, gas central heating, carpets & curtains, rear garden. Unfurnished.

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- ★ Lounge
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- ★ Bathroom
- ★ Garage
- ★ Gas central heating
- ★ Double glazed

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- ★ Detached
- ★ Hall
- ★ Lounge
- ★ Kitchen
- ★ Two bedrooms
- ★ Bathroom
- ★ Garage
- ★ Private gardens
- ★ Gas central heating
- ★ Double glazed

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THE STRAITS
SANDYFIELDS ROAD

- ★ Bungalow ★ Detached
- ★ Hall ★ Lounge ★ Kitchen
- ★ Two bedrooms ★ Bathroom
- ★ Garage
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- ★ Conservatory ★ Bathroom
- ★ Parking

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- ★ Immaculate throughout
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- ★ Fitted Kitchen ★ Conservatory
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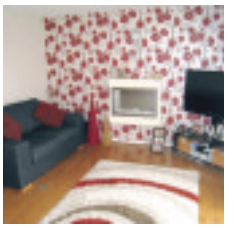

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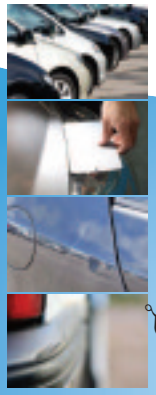

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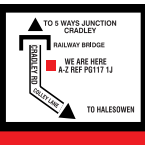

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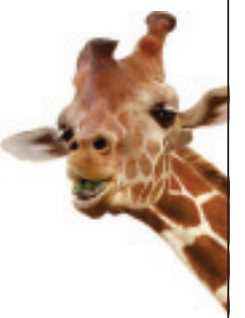

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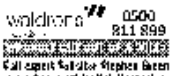

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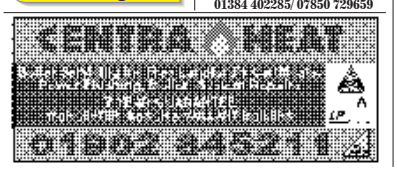

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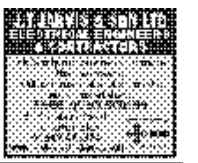

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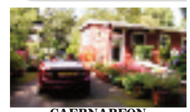

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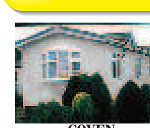

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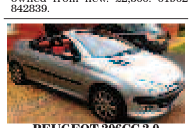

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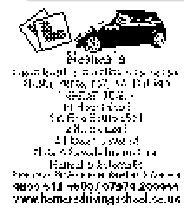

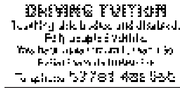

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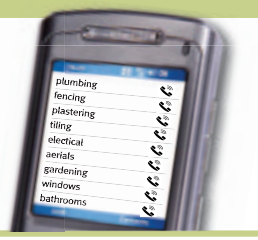

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Glassboys are tipping Geddes to relight fire

First-team coach Mark Clifton has tipped Sean Geddes to reignite his career at Stourbridge and insisted he can beat his Walsall demons.

The former Saddlers youngster, who was released in the summer, has signed for the Glassboys after failing to make a senior appearance at the Banks's Stadium.

He was highly-rated as a trainee but could not convince boss Dean Smith he was worthy of a new deal at the end of last season.

The 19-year-old is primed to make his debut in the league opener against Chippenham Town on August 13 and Clifton reckons the midfielder will be a star.

"I think he can go to another level," he said. "We've got great hopes for him and we've given him an opportunity so it's up to him to take it.

"He's come in and moved the ball around well for us and hopefully we can help him get to the next step. He's got experience and his awareness is phenomenal, we just need to calm him down and get him enjoying his football.

"I've worked with him quite closely in the summer and he's playing with a smile on his face."Geddes is joined by Aaron Griffiths, who made his loan from Kidderminster permanent, and boss Gary Hackett expects the former Saddler to overcome his disappointment.

Professional

"Sean is a young lad, he has been at Walsall, he has been a professional and he has had the disappointment of being released," he said. "We are going to get him enjoying his football again and I'm confident he can be a big player for us.

"We have a lot of competition in the middle of the park but we have adaptable players who can play in different positions. We need a strong squad if we are going to do anything." And Clifton believes the Glassboys will reap the rewards in keeping faith with the core of last season's team as they look to push for the Southern Premier Division play-offs.

He said: "We haven't got the biggest budget but the players have improved every year.

"Each year means they have more experience and we're going to push them as hard as we can."

But the Glassboys have already lost defender Jamie Oliver for up to four months after he was sidelined with knee ligament damage during pre-season.

"He will be sorely missed from the squad, it's a real hammer blow for us," said Hackett, who is unlikely to sign a replacement.

"He is a great presence in the dressing room and a popular guy."

Aug 13	**Chippenham Twn**	**(H)**	
Aug 16	Cirencester Town	(A)	
Aug 20	Cambridge City	(A)	
Aug 23	**Leamington....**	**(H)**	
Aug 27	**Arlesey Town**	**(H)**	
Aug 29	Barwell	(A)	
Sep 03	**Chesham United**	**(H)**	
Sep 10	Hemel Hempstead	(A)	
Sep 13	Evesham United	(A)	
Sep 24	**St. Albans City**	**(H)**	
Oct 04	**Banbury United**	**(H)**	
Oct 08	Bashley.....	(A)	
Oct 15	**Weymouth.....**	**(H)**	
Oct 29	Oxford City	(A)	
Nov 12	**Bedford Town**	**(H)**	
Nov 14	Hitchin Town....	(A)	
Nov 19	**Frome Town ..**	**(H)**	
Nov 26	AFC Totton	(A)	
Dec 03	**Cambridge City**	**(H)**	
Dec 10	Leamington	(A)	
Dec 17	**Cirencester Twn**	**(H)**	
Dec 26	Redditch United	(A)	
Dec 31	**Swindon S'marine**	**(H)**	
Jan 02	**Barwell .....**	**(H)**	
Jan 07	Brackley Town	(A)	
Jan 14	**Hemel Hempstead**	**(H)**	
Jan 21	Chesham United	(A)	
Jan 28	Banbury United	(A)	
Feb 04	**Evesham United**	**(H)**	
Feb 11	St. Albans City	(A)	
Feb 18	**Bashley.....**	**(H)**	
Feb 25	Weymouth	(A)	
Mar 03	**Hitchin Town**	**(H)**	
Mar 10	Bedford Town	(A)	
Mar 17	**Oxford City....**	**(H)**	
Mar 24	Arlesey Town ..	(A)	
Mar 31	**Brackley Town**	**(H)**	
Apr 07	Swindon S'marine	(A)	
Apr 09	**Redditch United**	**(H)**	
Apr 14	Chippenham Twn	(A)	
Apr 21	**AFC Totton ....**	**(H)**	
Apr 28	Frome Town....	(A)	

Yeltz are on the up for new campaign

Halesowen Town head into the new campaign with boss Shaun Cunnington claiming: "It's a club on the up again."

Off-field problems have hindered Yeltz in recent seasons and the turmoil took its toll on the pitch last season with relegation from the Southern Premier.

But new owner Steve Lynch has brought stability to the boardroom and Cunnington is hoping for a successful season in the Evo-Stik Division One South & West.

"The club has come a long way in a short space of time, both on and off the pitch," said The Grove boss.

"The club is on the up again and there's a positive feel around the place."

Pre-season results have included a victory and a draw against higher opposition in Hednesford and Evesham respectively.

Striker Justin Nisbett has returned from Stourbridge and Cunnington also hopes to sign former Walsall defender Aaron Lescott.

"Aaron has played the last two friendly games and brought a wealth of experience," added Cunnington.

"The signs are positive and we are hoping he will come on board."

Cunnington admits going into the Evo-Stik Division One South & West is a step into the unknown but is hopeful of a successful year.

He said: "It's a rebuilding process but we hope to achieve something soon.

"The signs from pre-season have been good."

Aug 13	Paulton Rovers	(A)
Aug 16	**North Leigh .....**	**(H)**
Aug 20	**Bideford .....**	**(H)**
Aug 23	Yate Town	(A)
Aug 27	Mangotsfield United	(A)
Aug 29	**Cinderford Town ....**	**(H)**
Sep 13	Abingdon United	(A)
Sep 24	Wimborne Town	(A)
Oct 1	**Thatcham Town .....**	**(H)**
Oct 4	**Didcot Town .....**	**(H)**
Oct 29	**Sholing .....**	**(H)**
Nov 5	Taunton Town	(A)
Nov 12	**Tiverton Town .....**	**(H)**
Nov 16	Bishops Cleeve	(A)
Nov 19	Gosport Borough	(A)
Nov 26	**Poole Town .....**	**(H)**
Dec 3	Hungerford Town	(A)
Dec 10	**Bridgwater Town ....**	**(H)**
Dec 17	Clevedon Town	(A)
Dec 26	**Stourport Swifts ....**	**(H)**
Dec 31	**Mangotsfield United**	
(H)		
Jan 2	Cinderford Town	(A)
Jan 7	**Yate Town .....**	**(H)**
Jan 14	North Leigh	(A)
Jan 21	**Paulton Rovers .....**	**(H)**
Jan 28	Bideford	(A)
Feb 4	Didcot Town	(A)
Feb 11	**Abingdon United ....**	**(H)**
Feb 18	Thatcham Town	(A)
Feb 25	**Wimborne Town ....**	**(H)**
Mar 3	**Bishops Cleeve .....**	**(H)**
Mar 10	Tiverton Town	(A)
Mar 17	**Gosport Borough ..**	**(H)**
Mar 24	Poole Town	(A)
Mar 31	Bridgwater Town	(A)
Apr 7	**Hungerford Town ..**	**(H)**
Apr 9	Stourport Swifts	(A)
Apr 14	**Clevedon Town .....**	**(H)**
Apr 21	Sholing	(A)
Apr 28	**Taunton Town .....**	**(H)**

Top sports star visits home

Paralympic ski star Anna Turney with students improving the gardens in Tipton

A skiing star who carried on racing after a crash left her paralysed visited the Black Country to pass on her inspirational message.

Anna Turney, aged 32, lost the use of her legs following a snowboarding accident in 2006 when she was training to represent Great Britain.

Following the incident Anna turned to skiing and represented her country at the Vancouver Paralympic Games in 2010, finishing sixth.

She visited the Millennium Forge sheltered housing scheme in Sedgley Road West, Tipton, last week to congratulate students from City of Wolverhampton College who had worked to improve the garden of the complex.

Anna said: "The students have blossomed over the summer, gaining a good understanding of their community and in turn enhancing their confidence and self-assurance."

The scheme was part of a National Citizen Service project for 16-year-olds.

Dudley fall to Cradley

Dudley Sports 1
Cradley Town 2

Sport's defensive laxity continued from last term as Cradley raced into a half-time lead with a brace of goals from Matthew Bailey.

The hosts improved after the break but a lone strike by Craig Tibbetts failed to deny Cradley victory.

League sets up rugby scheme

The next Jonny Wilkinson or Ben Foden could be trained in Halesowen through a new initiative run which is being run by the Rugby Football League.

The Touch Rugby scheme, which allows both boys and girls to play a fun, safe and non-contact version of rugby, is to be launched at Leasowes Sports Centre, Kent Road starting on August 17.

The event starts at 7pm, and will give newcomers to the game a great chance to get to grips with the easy-to-learn rules, as well as get expert coaching from from fully qualified RFL staff coaches.

The session will take place on the astro-turf so boots are not required, and the event will also see the launch of the touch rugby league, which will run every Wednesday and starts August 24.

This is the first touch rugby initiative to be brought into the West Midlands.

For experienced rugby players there is also the chance to become qualified touch rugby officials who can then watch over the league matches.

The launch session costs £1 per person and is open to anyone over the age of 14, as is the league.

For more information, about the activities which are being offered contact Leasowes Sports Centre 0121 422 3303.

Young golfers' charity drive

Golfers Luke Millard, centre, with Alex Cox, on the left, and Mark Wakelam

Two young golfers kept in the swing for 12 hours during a marathon session to raise £1,000 for a Midland hospital.

Luke Millard, aged 14, and Alex Cox, 13, showed their stamina at Himley Golf Club from 7am to 7pm watched by family and friends.

The pair, who are pupils at Ellowes Hall Sports College in Lower Gornal, were inspired by the death of Luke's grandfather, Graham Jeavons, at age of 67 on February from leukaemia.

He was looked after at the Georgina Unit in Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital, which is where the money will be donated.

They have raised about £800 so far but expect to reach £1,000 when all sponsorship has been collected.

The teenagers, both from Lower Gornal, set themselves a target of 54 holes, and only allowed themselves three short breaks throughout the whole day.

They were joined by Luke's cousin Mark Wakelam, aged 26.

Duel ends with winning draw for Pershore side

STOURBRIDGE CRICKET CLUB

STOURBRIDGE 1ST XI (8 POINTS) 151-7 IN 43 OVERS PERSHORE CC 1ST XI (14 POINTS) 198 – PERSHORE WINNING DRAW

Pershore placed second in the Worcester league at the start of the Saturday duel held the leaders, Stourbridge to a winning draw in a topsy-turvey match that neither side controlled until the final 10 overs when Stour protected their wickets from the Pershore onslaught for outright victory.

Winning the toss Pershore decided to bat first the first five overs produced 29 runs mostly in boundaries. Under pressure with no help from the wicket Stour showed early signs of wilting.

The persistence from pacemen James Musk and Matt Bradley paid off in the 6th over Liam Ridding playing rash shot bowled by Bradley for 19 ending a quick fire opening stand of 29.

Opener White was next victim caught behind by Greg Jones for 13 off the bowling of Musk with the score on 48. At 25 overs Pershore were 68 for 2 poised for a big score through captain Cianran Sanders and Chris Ridding both showing aggressive intent.

Kalpesh Patel tempted Ridding into a big shot on the leg side in the over after the break Dave Jones taking a skier after a 30 yard sprint. Musk then had White caught behind for a duck in the next over reducing the visitors to 72 for four.

Pershore continued to score boundaries regularly as Ross Mathews and Sanders attempted to take Stour bowlers to task. Sanders's inning was ended abruptly by the brilliance of Richard Bradley's direct hit aiming at one stump for 37.

Half the Pershore side back in the pavilion for 107 in the 33rd over match was back in Stour's favour. Pershore's tail wagged Ross Matews (32), Tim Smith (17), Joe Fowles (29), and Luke Dalley (12) took the score to 198 for 9 off the 50 overs.

The 91 runs in the 17 overs had put Pershore in a strong but not an invincible position. Stour's batting taking a blow with their premier batsman, Josh Banks sustaining a shoulder injury whilst fielding at the latter stages of Pershore knock.

Stour bowlers shared the spoils Musk taking three for 45 off 17 and Jones 2 for 43 off 7

Stour's innings was not only marred by the injury to Banks but their innings was curtailed to 43 overs after a shower at the break delayed the start.

Further setback came as Stour lost Steve Game for four in the 3rd over out LBW to Luke Dalley. Captain Richard Bradley was out for 13 caught on the boundary off the bowling of Lee Wilkes.

Matt Bradley playing superbly left the crease once too often was stumped for 28 falling second victim to spinner Wilkes.

The worst passage of play this season left Stour's innings in tatters from 88 for 3 in the 22nd over to 111 for 7 in the 33rd over. Audy Alexander, Alex Bingham, Greg Jones, Mikesh Patel all went cheaply leaving the tail exposed.

James Musk in control anchored a fading innings. With Kalpesh Patel coming in at No9 Pershore bowlers resorted to speed and bounce. Equal to the task Patel refused to be bullied into doing anything rash with Musk they moved the score from 113 to past 150 giving Stour valauble bonus points and deprived opposition of an outright victory.

Musk 41 not out smashed Lee Wilkes for a massive straight six off the penultimate delivery, Kalpesh Patel the other hero remained 7 not out. Luke Dalley, Lee Wilkes and Tim Smith shared two wickets a piece. The result has intensified competition for the second position with Astwood Bank cc moving into second position. Stour Skipper Richard Bradley will be concerned that the gap between his team at the top of the league and Astwood Bank cut from 70 to 56 points.

Pershore 2nd XI v Stourbridge 2nd XI match abandoned

Stourbridge 3rd XI 320-5 (24 points) Cleobury Mortimer (5 points) Stourbridge win

Stourbridge skipper Daniel De Saulles chose to bat and witnessed a knock of the season from 19 year old Jitesh Patel plundering 164 runs.

Another young star Will Jennings played an admirable innings of 64 resulting in a record 175 second wicket partnership. Patel's innings produced 33 boundaries constituting 80 per cent of his runs.

All the bowlers suffered once Patel and Jennings had built the platform. Areeb Mohammed (29), Lawson Bliss (23) and Dan De Saulles (24) took the score well past the 300 mark. Cleobury Mortimer went on to score 177, Shabir Butt seeing off the last five batsmen three of whom were clean bowled. Adam Jeavons worked hard for his three off 10 overs for 76.

Cleobury Mortimer 2nd XI (18 points) Stourbridge 4th XI (3 points) Celobury wining draw

Skipper Alex Dent chose to bowl after winning the toss only to see the opposition pile up 265 for eight off the 45 overs. Gareth Leach (51) and Oliver Rowland (91) exerted the pressure on this young bowling side. 16 year old Heran Patel continued with his wicket taking form this time bagging three to add to his season's toll. Peter Griffiths (31) and Paul Bradley (30) two of the three seniors kept Stour in the match.

It was the youngsters who ensured that Stour batted the rain reduced 41 overs to pull off a losing draw. Ed Kemp pick of the bowlers took 4 for 11 runs off 12 overs.

Football match for charity

A charity football match will kick off this weekend to raise money for a Quarry Bank youngster who died of sudden a heart condition.

Pensnett Panthers will take to the pitch at 2pm, at The Dell Stadium, on Sunday August 14, to play against staff from Fern Plastics of Wolverhampton, in memory of Leon Mansell.

Leon's mum Jean, who works at Fern Plastics with Paul Handley, also manager of the Pensnett Panthers, decided to host the friendly match for the 14-year-old who died in January.

Paul and his wife Cheryl, of Kingswinford, hope to raise as much as they can for Cardiac Risk in the Young(CRY) which has helped Jean cope with the loss of her son.

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Pre-season ends on downer

REDDITCH UNITED 3
HALESOWEN TOWN 0

Halesowen ended their pre-season campaign on a downer with defeat at recently-relegated Redditch.

The Reds, who had impressively won their previous nine friendly matches, included a trio of former Yeltz men in their line-up – Dean Coleman, David Blenkinsopp and Lee Osbourne.

They took the lead when Aaron Moses-Garvey played in Cameron Jones who picked his spot in the top right-hand corner. Yeltz goalkeeper Paul Evans then did well to pluck the ball from the top corner after Peter Folkes diverted another Redditch shot goalwards. The home side made their dominance count just past the half hour mark when Phil Green added a second, side-stepping his marker to hit a 20-yarder past Evans. Halesowen responded through Anthony Bruce who tested Coleman from range before both sides had players booked in what was becoming a feisty encounter. The second half was fairly incident free as Redditch coasted to victory, with Halesowen's only chance coming when substitute Sam Wills went close with a free kick. Redditch made it 3-0 in injury time through a Lei Brown penalty after Ben Love handled in the area. Halesowen start their Evo Stick Southern Division One South & West campaign this Saturday at Paulton Rovers.

ROBINS FALTER AT THE FIRST HURDLE

DUDLEY TOWN 0 GOODRICH 2

West Midlands (Regional) League Premier Division

Dudley Town started their season in disappointing fashion as Goodrich's new look side deservedly took all three points away from The Dell. The hosts were left to rue several missed chances in the first half which if taken may have altered the outcome.

Naming his first team since his summer promotion to the managerial hot-seat Andy Burgess elected to hand debuts to six of his summer recruits.

Whilst there was no place in the starting eleven for last season regulars Chris Whittaker and Danny Bell who both had to make do with a seat on the bench. Last season's top-scorer Dreniz Bala remains on holiday and was unavailable for selection.

Dudley could have taken the lead in the fourth minute when newly appointed captain Richard Langford headed an Anthony Cox corner over the bar. Goodrich too had early chances as goalkeeper Mark Garvey did well to tip a long range shot over the bar.

Both sides continued to hassle but as the half went on appeared Dudley would make the breakthrough. Nikki Faux missed a golden opportunity for The Robins as he failed to convert from close range whilst Ben Stretton forced a fine save from Ben Astley diving to his right to push away a shot from fifteen yards out.

Dangerous

The visitors looked dangerous on the break however with a fine tackle from Rob Whitley preventing Jordan Lee from advancing whilst Garvey made a fine save from the lively Levi Chambers with five minutes remaining of the opening period.

There was still time for Cox to come close with a fine curling shot right on the stroke of half-time that agonisingly cleared Astley's crossbar.

Goodrich made the breakthrough on 51 minutes. A free-kick on the edge of the area was placed home by the impressive Tim Jackson. It was soon two. Jordan Lee picking up on a mistake by Rob Whitley and chip Garvey just three minutes after the visiting side had initially taken the lead.

Burgess introduced Harry Williams, Danny Bell and Wayne Roberts as his side went in search of a way back into the game. Indeed it was Williams who had a fine chance on 73 minutes but the resulting shot cleared the Goodrich crossbar.

The best chance of Dudley staging a come-back fell with seven minutes remaining. A melee in the box saw substitute Matt Curley foul Nikki Faux which saw Ben Stretton stroke the ball wide from the resulting spot-kick.

If anyone looked more likely to score it was Goodrich, and they came close. Substitute Michael Allen broke free on the right wing but his cross couldn't find the diving head of Chambers.

Dudley now entertain Bustleholme on Wednesday as they aim to pick up their first points of the campaign.

Dudley Town: Garvey, Reeves, Watkins, Langford, Whitley, Perry (Roberts), Warner (Bell), Stretton, Francis-Mills (Williams), Faux, Cox. Subs not used: Whittaker, Jasper.

Goodrich: Astley, Harvey, Porter, Payne, Madeley (Curley), Griffiths, Smith (Bishop), Loach, Lee (Allen), Chambers, Jackson. Subs not used: Fryer, James

Attendance: 66 Referee: P. Reade

Bilston resolve holds for draw

DUDLEY TOWN 1 BILSTON TOWN 1

Not even a dominant second half display from Dudley Town could break the resolve of a dogged Bilston Town side in an entertaining final pre-season fixture of the year as both sides battled to a 1-1 draw.

Manager Andy Burgess had pulled off something of a coup before the game with the news that former Halesowen Town and Redditch United favourite Alex Cowley would be in his Robins side, however luck wasn't on his side when Cowley who can boast over 200 appearances for Halesowen twisted his ankle in the warm-up.

Burgess was again without Ben Stretton owing to work commitments along with Dreniz Bala who is due to be back for the West Midlands League clash with Cradley Town on August 13.

From the off Dudley looked the stronger of the two teams as the pace of Todd Warner and Anthony Cox gave Bilston cause to worry on their flanks. Although the home side had to wait until the 23rd minute to create a real goalscoring chance when Rob Whitley's powerful header from a cox corner rattled the crossbar.

Arguably

Bilston were certainly not out of the game and arguably edged the first half. Corey Pearce being a continual threat for the first division outfit as Richard Langford and Mark Garvey were both influential in keeping him out.

But, following a break down of a Dudley attack Pearce was on hand to run clear and slot the ball past Garvey on 31 minutes.

Dudley continued to knock on the door but it wasn't until the second half that they started to get into gear. New striker Nikki Faux being a continual pest for the Steelmen's backline. It didn't look to be Dudley's night though and this seemed to have been summed up when a Anthony Cox shot whistled just over the crossbar. But when Alex Perry was fouled in the box on 70 minutes Chris Whittaker blasted home the resulting spot-kick. The hosts kept up their pressure with young wingers Danny Bell and Harry Williams creating headache after headache but the Bilston defence must be commended for keeping their backline so strong.

Dudley Town: Mark Garvey, George Reeves, Chris Whittaker, Richard Langford, Rob Whitley, Danny Smith, Anthony Cox, Alex Perry, Ben Store, Nikki Faux, Todd Warner.

Subs: Ian Watkin, Danny Bell, Adam Cross, Harry Williams, Tony Arnold, Shaun Jasper, Luke Cunningham.

Champions get a chance to show off their trophy

By Tim Hamblin

DUDLEY 38 MILDENHALL 51

THEY came to praise the new National League Fours champions and stayed to laud one of the brightest young talents on the speedway block in Cameron Heeps.

Dudley paraded their newly won silverware with pride only for a rampant Fen Tigers outfit to poop the party last night as home hero Ashley Morris crashed out of the action.

Morris was taken to hospital as a precaution after hitting his head in a first bend tumble.

Mildenhall were spearheaded by the precocious Heeps, the 15-year-old reserve outscoring his age by a comfortable margin.

In fact the Perth talent dropped just one point from his seven starts.

Momentum

It came in heat 12 and was the race of the night. Heeps initially pulled clear of Tom Perry but lost momentum when lifting down the back straight and that was all the invitation the Dudley man needed.

Perry got himself half a wheel to the good as he flew round the corner, and cemented the advantage with a pits turn full of commitment. He stayed out in the dirt and had just enough to beat off the young Aussie's challenge.

With Heeps stacking up the points at one end of the scorechart and Jack Hargreaves doing so at the other, Mildenhall always looked likely winners.

For Dudley it was one of those nights when several riders seemed marginally, but crucially, under par. Consequently they struggled for momentum, two of their three 5-1 advantages answered immediately by a maximum in the other direction.

Richard Franklin, down at reserve through Darryl Ritchings' recent surge in form rather than any major shortcomings of his own, battled away for paid 12 but he will be one of few home riders to look back on this one with pleasure – unlike Heeps.

Former world champion Michael Lee joined in the celebrations as Dudley Heathens paraded their National League Fours trophy at Monmore Green last night. Lee is pictured on the front row alongside captain Jon Armstrong. The winning line-up is completed by, back row, left to right, Adam Roynon, Richard Franklin, Ashley Morris and team manager Will Pottinger.

Dudley: Tom Perry 11+1, Richard Franklin 10+2, Jon Armstrong 7, Adam Roynon 4+1, Ashley Morris 3, Darryl Ritchings 2+2, Adam Portwood 1.

Mildenhall: Cameron Heeps 20, Jack Hargreaves 13+3, Joe Jacobs 7+1, Aaron Baseby 6+1, Lewis Blackbird 5+1, Daniel Halsey 0.

● The Dudley trio of Ashley Morris, Tom Perry and Richard Franklin were unable to take Great Britain in the European under-19 team finals. Denmark topped the scorechart in Eskilstuna, Sweden on Saturday seven points clear of the home side.

Germany were a distant third with Great Britain bringing up the rear.

Result: Denmark 48, Sweden 41, Germany 18, Great Britain 13 (Brendan Johnson 5, Ashley Morris 3, Tom Perry 3, Joe Jacobs 2, Richard Franklin 0).

Roller coaster ride ends with Hill sharing the top spot

OLD HILL CRICKET CLUB

Saturday August 6

OLD HILL (24 POINTS) 211 BEAT WALMLEY (6 POINTS) 174 FOR 37 RUNS.

It was fasten your seat belts for yet another roller coaster ride at Haden Hill when the First XI took on Walmley.

The visitors won the toss and chose to field and they had an immediate success in the second over as Mike Hingley was out without scoring. Nitesh Patel (23) joined Dan Cox (37) and they put together a second wicket stand of 64 before being parted.

Captain Nathan Round (49) looked well set and together with a superb innings by Dan Wood (62) seemed to have set Old Hill up for a large total as they reached 201- 5 wickets in the 48th over.

Then a major collapse meant the hosts lost 5 wickets for 10 runs in 3 overs to be bowled out for 211 with 4 overs remaining. Before Walmley could begin their reply, rain intervened which necessitated a recalculation of overs and target (204 off 53 overs to attain a winning draw). On resumption, the visitors also lost early wickets to Zafran Ali to be 14-2 in the 5th over.

A brilliant run out by Nathan Round with a direct hit and the capture of Gruijters (89) to Zafran Ali, it was left to Sharkey Hussain to finish off the tail with the aid of a Nigel Davenport catch, the visitors finally capitulating to 174 all out in 44 overs as Old Hill joined Berkswell in top position in the League Table.

Walmley (20 points) 216-1 beat Old Hill (3 points) 214-6 by 9 wickets.

The 2nd XI batted first having lost the toss in their away game at The Memorial Ground and thanks to a wonderful century by Carl Whyte (105) backed up by Alex Hills (40) and Hamza Ahmed (35 not out), Old Hill were able to post a total of 216-6 wickets off their 50 overs.

Ross-on-Wye (6 points) 202 lost to Old Hill (24 points) 203-5 by 5 wickets.

The 3rd XI visited third placed Ross-on-Wye in a crunch game at the top of the League as the season reaches its climax and came away with a well-earned victory. Ross batted first and made a total of 202 all out in 46 overs as excellent bowling by Dan Such (2-25), Richard Lloyd (2-40) and Nick Couzens kept a tight grip on the hosts batsmen. In reply, veteran Alan Neal and Dan Such (44) set Old Hill on the road to victory with an opening partnership of 72 runs, well backed up by Reece Shilvock (34) and Ollie Moseley (59 not out) as the visitors eased their way to victory by 5 wickets in 43.3 overs.

Old Hill (24 points) 215-8 beat Ross-on-Wye (4 points) 148 by 67 runs.

Having been asked to bat by Ross-on-Wye at Wassell Grove, the 4th XI set about posting a challenging total as Jon Baig Jnr (64) and Izzy Khan (33) put together a century opening partnership as Old Hill's youngsters scored 215-8 wickets in their 45 overs. Rain then intervened and the visitors were given a revised target of 186 in 39 overs to obtain a winning draw.

This task always looked beyond Ross as Captain Irshad Ahmed (4-19) and Lewis Javaid (3-25) backed up by some great fielding, particularly Keiron Daniels with a great all round performance with the bat gloves and in the slips, as the visitors were bowled out for 148 in 35 overs. This was Old Hill's sixth victory in their inaugural season in W.C.L. Division 5.

Sunday August 7

Springvale (0 points) 92-4 lost to Old Hill (10 points) 278-3 on faster run rate.

Following a delayed start, the Sunday XI game away at Springvale started under threatening skies. Batting first, Old Hill amassed a very large total of 278-3 wickets off 36 overs with Nigel Davenport (129) scoring a magnificent century closely followed by Richard Sydenham (87).

After further showers, the Springvale reply finally got under way but they never scored quickly enough as the Old Hill bowlers led by Jon Baig (3-20) kept a tight grip on the scoring rate.

The match ended with the hosts total on 92-4 wickets off 24 overs, well short of their target score of 187. Old Hill won the game easily on a much superior scoring rate.

Derek Griffiths

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